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A COLLECTION

OF

NOTIFICATIONS

REGARDING THE DEATH OF EMINENT PERSONS,

AND OF

ORDERS FOR OFFICIAL MOURNING,

ISSUED BY THE

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA:

WITH AN

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NOTE.

THIS collection of notifications regarding the death of eminent persons, and of orders for official mourning, has been made at the suggestion of the Private Secretary to His Excellency the late Viceroy.

The practice of publishing an official notification on the occurrence of the death of a distinguished public officer did not obtai[illegible] before the commencement of the present century. I have fail[illegible] to trace any notice in the *Government Gazette* of the death, [illegible] 1784 and 1786, respectively, of Mr. Edward Wheler and of [illegible] Henry Vansittart, Members of Council, and in 1794 of Sir Wi[illegible] Jones, one of the Judges of the Supreme Court at Calcutta, a [illegible] founder of the Bengal Asia[illegible] Newspaper [illegible] will be f[illegible] Se[illegible]

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HOME OFFICE;
The 24th February 1872.

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1.

MAJOR-GENERAL HORTON BRISCO. 25th December 1802.

Garrison Orders by His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General, the 25th December 1802.

THE Governor General directs that the remains of the deceased Major-General Horton Brisco, late a Major-General on the staff of this Presidency, be interred to-morrow morning at sun-rise with every military honor due to the rank of that officer, who, during a long course of faithful and assiduous service in India, maintained for upwards of forty years the honorable character of unremitted zeal, integrity, and diligence.

A funeral party, consisting of His Majesty's 78th Regiment and the detachment of His Majesty's 10th and 22nd Regiments, to parade to-morrow morning at sun-rise, to attend the interment of the late Major-General Brisco; a detachment from His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General's Body Guard will parade with the funeral party, which is to be commanded by Major-General Cameron.

Minute guns to be fired when the procession commences, until the corpse shall be interred, during which time the garrison flag is to be lowered to half staff.

All officers off duty to attend.

2.

THE MARQUIS CORNWALLIS, K. G., Governor General of India, and Commander-in-Chief of His Majesty's and the Hon'ble Company's Land Forces in the East Indies. 5th October 1805.

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

Fort William, the 12th October 1805.

PROCLAMATION.

WITH sentiments of the deepest sorrow and regret the Government announces the decease of the Most Honorable Charles Marquis Cornwallis, Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, Governor General of the East India Company's Possessions, and Commander-in-Chief of His Majesty's and the Hon'ble Company's Land Forces in the East Indies.

This afflicting and greatly-to-be-deplored event took place on Saturday, the 5th instant, at Ghazeepore, in the Province of Benares, where His Lordship had arrived in his progress to join, and to assume the personal command of, the army in the field, as well as for the purpose of accomplishing other important objects connected with the interests of the State.

During a long and active life, distinguished by eminently honorable and arduous exertion in the service of his country, this illustrious and revered nobleman manifested all the energies, combined with all the virtues, which can dignify exalted public station and adorn the sphere of private life.

As a patriot, a statesman, a warrior, and a man, the character of Marquis Cornwallis shines with distinguished lustre.

The records of the British Empire in Europe and in Asia bear ample testimony to the splendid and important services rendered by him, in different quarters of the globe, to his sovereign and his country.

To the East India Company the memory of Marquis Cornwallis is peculiarly endeared. To the service of his country in India were devoted some of the most vigorous years of his valuable life, and there, at an advanced period of it, has it pleased Divine Providence to terminate his earthly career of honor and of glory.

British India will ever be proud to associate with its happiness, its prosperity, and renown, the grateful remembrance of its venerated benefactor, Marquis Cornwallis: and the Native powers of India will sincerely regret a man who so deservedly possessed their unbounded confidence and highest esteem.

By his sovereign and his country the death of Marquis Cornwallis will be deplored as a public calamity. Europe at large, to whom his fame and his virtues have long been familiar, will lament the loss of such exalted and respected worth. And history will record his magnanimity, his benevolence, his love of justice, his inflexible integrity, his ardent valor, his wise and prudent policy, as eminently worthy of imitation and of praise.

The flag of Fort William to be immediately hoisted half staff high, and to continue so until sun-set.

Minute guns, sixty-six in number, corresponding with the age of the deceased, to be fired from the ramparts of Fort William.

Similar marks of respect, with the solemnities suitable to the mournful occasion, to be paid to the memory of Marquis Cornwallis at all the principal military stations and posts dependent upon this

Presidency, and copies of the preceding orders to be transmitted to the Governments of Fort St. George, Bombay, and Prince of Wales' Island, and also to the Government of the British Possessions on the Island of Ceylon.

By Order of Government,

J. LUMSDEN,
Chief Secretary to Government.

Fort William, the 14*th October* 1805.

PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by the demise of the Most Honorable Charles Marquis Cornwallis, late Governor General of the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal, which took place at Ghazeepore on the 5th of October 1805, the Honorable Sir George Hilaro Barlow, Bart., has succeeded to the office of Governor General of the Presidency aforesaid under the provisions contained in the Act of the 33rd year of the reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign George the Third:

It is, therefore, hereby proclaimed that the said Honorable Sir George Hilaro Barlow, Bart., did on the 10th of October 1805 take charge of the said office of Governor General of the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal.

By Order of Government,

THOS. BROWN,
Secretary to Government.

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3.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL J. A. KIRKPATRICK, late Resident at the Court of the Soubadar of the Deccan. 31st October 1805.

Presidency Orders by the Vice-President and Deputy Governor.
Fort William, the 15th October 1805.

THE Vice-President and Deputy Governor with sincere regret performs the painful duty of directing the last tribute of military honors to be paid to the remains of that valuable officer and meritorious public character, Lieutenant-Colonel J. A. Kirkpatrick, of the establishment of Fort St. George, late Resident at the Court of the Soubadar of the Deccan, in which situation he rendered important services to the Honorable East India Company.

A funeral party, to be furnished by His Majesty's 67th Regiment, and to be commanded by a Field Officer, is to be formed under the direction of the Commanding Officer of the Troops at the Presidency, for the purpose of attending the corpse of the deceased, which will be moved from the house of Mr. Buller, in Chowringhee, to the place of interment at 5 o'clock this evening. Major-General Sir Ewen Baillie, Commanding the Troops at the Presidency, will issue such further orders as may appear to him to be necessary for carrying the preceding orders into effect.

L. HOOK,
Acting Military Secretary.

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4.

His Majesty Shah Allum of Delhi. 19th November 1806.

NOTIFICATION.

Fort William, the 5th December 1806.

A DESPATCH from the Resident at Delhi has this morning been received by the Hon'ble the Governor General in Council, announcing the melancholy event of the decease of His Majesty Shah Allum on the morning of the 19th ultimo.

His Majesty's remains were interred on the evening of the same day, with great funeral pomp and splendour, in the vault of his ancestors, and the funeral was attended by the Resident at Delhi and the principal public officers stationed at that Capital.

The utmost tranquility prevailed in the Capital at the time of the despatch of the latest advices from the Resident at Delhi.

His late Majesty is succeeded in the throne of Delhi by His Majesty's eldest son, Mirza Akber Shah, who ascended the musnud in public state on the 19th ultimo. His present Majesty has assumed the title of Akber Sauner.

In testimony of respect to the memory of His late Majesty, the Hon'ble the Governor General has been pleased to direct that minute guns be fired from the ramparts of Fort William, and at the principal military stations within the Company's Provinces.

The Hon'ble the Governor General in Council has also been pleased to direct that royal salutes be fired from the ramparts of Fort William, and at the principal military stations within the Company's Provinces, in honor of His Royal Highness the Prince Mirza Akber Shah's accession to the throne of Delhi.

By Order of the Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

THOS. BROWN,
Chief Secretary to Government.

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5.

ARCHBISHOP OF GOA. 10th February 1812.

General Orders by the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council.

Fort William, the 9th March 1812.

THE Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council, having received the melancholy intelligence of the decease of His Excellency the Archbishop of Goa on the 10th ultimo, is pleased to direct that, as a tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased, and with reference also to the intimate connection and alliance subsisting between the Crowns of Portugal and Great Britain, minute guns to the number of 87, answering to the years of the deceased, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William, the flag being hoisted half mast high.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

N. B. EDMONSTONE,
Chief Secretary to Government.

6.

HER HIGHNESS THE MUNNY BEGUM OF MOORSHEDABAD. 10th January 1813.

Fort William, the 14th January 1813.

A DESPATCH from the Superintendent of Nizamut Affairs at Moorshedabad has been received by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, announcing the melancholy event of the decease of Her Highness the Munny Begum, widow of the late Nabob Jaafer Alli Khaun, ancestor of the reigning Nabob of Bengal, on the morning of the 10th instant.

Her Highness's remains were interred with the honors due to her exalted rank on the evening of the same day at a mosque in the city of Moorshedabad.

In testimony of respect to the memory of Her late Highness the Munny Begum, the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council has been pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of ninety, answering to the years of the deceased, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William at four o'clock this evening, the flag being hoisted half mast high.

Published by Command of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council,

G. DOWDESWELL,
Chief Secretary to Government.

7.

MAJOR-GENERAL R. R. GILLESPIE. 31st October 1814.

Fort William, the 14th November 1814.

A DESPATCH was this morning received by His Excellency the Vice-President in Council from His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor General communicating intelligence of an unsuccessful attempt having been made on the morning of the 31st ultimo, by the division of the army under the personal command of Major-General Gillespie, to carry by assault the Fort of Kalunga, or Nalipanee, in the Deyra Doon, and the melancholy event of the death of Major-General Gillespie, who fell at the wicket of the fort.

His Excellency the Vice-President in Council deeply laments the loss which the service and the country have sustained by the fall of the distinguished and gallant officer who personally conducted the enterprise, and whose eminent services and conspicuous military talents must place him in the first rank of those officers whose exploits have done honor to the British name in India.

In testimony of the public sorrow for the loss of Major-General Gillespie, and as a tribute of respect justly due to the memory of that valuable officer, His Excellency the Vice-President in Council is pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of forty-five, corresponding with the years of the deceased, be fired at twelve o'clock to-morrow from the ramparts of Fort William, and that the garrison flag be hoisted half mast high at sun-rise, and continue in that position until sun-set.

Published by Command of His Excellency the Vice-President in Council,

J. MONCKTON,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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8.

His Excellency Rear Admiral Sir George Burlton, K. C. B., Commander-in-Chief of His Majesty's Naval Forces in the East Indies. 21st September 1815.

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

Fort William, the 9th October 1815.

NOTIFICATION.

Official advices having been received of the death of His Excellency Rear Admiral Sir George Burlton, K. C. B., Commander-in-Chief of His Majesty's Naval Forces in the Indian Seas, the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, impressed with feelings of the deepest concern and regret at the melancholy event, and in testimony of respect for the memory of the deceased, is pleased to direct that minute guns be fired this afternoon at four o'clock from the ramparts of Fort William to the number corresponding with his age, the flag being hoisted half mast high.

Published by Order of His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council,

J. MONCKTON,
Acting Chief Secretary to Government.

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9.

HER HIGHNESS THE BHOW BEGUM OF LUCKNOW. 28th December 1815.

Fort William, the 5th January 1816.

HIS EXCELLENCY the Governor General in Council having this day received from the Resident at Lucknow the melancholy intelligence of the demise of Her Highness the Bhow Begum on the 28th ultimo, His Lordship in Council has directed that minute guns to the number of eighty-four, corresponding with the years of the deceased, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William in honor of Her Highness's memory.

C. M. RICKETTS,
Chief Secretary to Government.

10.

THE NAWAUB KHODSEED BEGUM OF DELHI. 15th February 1816.

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

General Order by His Excellency the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council.

Fort William, the 2nd March 1816.

THE Governor General in Council having received from the Resident at Delhi the melancholy intelligence of the demise, on the 15th ultimo, of the Nawaub Khodseed Begum, the mother of His Majesty Akber the Second, His Lordship in Council directs that minute guns to the number of seventy-four, corresponding with the years of the deceased, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William, at twelve o'clock on Monday, the 4th instant, as a mark of respect for the memory of Her late Majesty.

By Order of His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council,

C. M. RICKETTS,
Chief Secretary to Government.

11.

HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCESS CHARLOTTE AUGUSTA. 7th November 1817.

Fort William, the 16th April 1818.

THE HONORABLE the VICE-PRESIDENT IN COUNCIL is pleased to direct that the following extracts from the *London Gazette* of the 7th November last, regarding a general mourning for HER late ROYAL HIGHNESS the PRINCESS CHARLOTTE AUGUSTA, be published for the information of the European part of the community in the territories dependant on the Presidency of Fort William.

The VICE-PRESIDENT IN COUNCIL cannot doubt that all persons will be desirous to testify their respect for the memory of HER late ROYAL HIGHNESS by putting themselves into mourning on the present most melancholy occasion, in conformity to the tenor of the order issued under the authority of HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS the PRINCE REGENT. The mourning to commence at Calcutta on Sunday next, the 19th instant.

By Order of the Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council,

W. B. BAYLEY,
Acting Chief Secretary to Govt.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, the 7th November 1817.

ORDERS for the Court's going into mouring on Sunday next, the 9th instant, for Her late Royal Highness the Princess Charlotte Augusta, daughter of His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, and Consort of His Serene Highness the Prince Leopold of Saxe Coburge, *viz.*,—

The ladies to wear black bombazines, plain muslin or long lawn, crape hoods, shamoy shoes and gloves, and crape fans.

Undress.—Dark Norwich crape.

The gentlemen to wear black, cloth, without buttons on the sleeves or pockets, plain muslin or long lawn cravats and weepers, shamoy shoes and gloves, crape hat-bands, and black swords and buckles.

Undress.—Dark grey frocks.

The Deputy Earl Marshal's order for a general mourning for Her late Royal Highness the Princess Charlotte Augusta, daughter of His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, and Consort of His Serene Highness the Prince Leopold of Saxe Coburg. November 7th, 1817.

IN pursuance of the Commands of His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, acting in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, these are to give public notice that it is expected that upon the present most melancholy occasion of the death of Her late Royal Highness the Princess Charlotte Augusta, daughter of His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, and Consort of His Serene Highness the Prince Leopold of Saxe Coburg, all persons do put themselves into decent mourning; the said mourning to begin on Sunday next, the 9th instant.

HENRY HOWARD MOLYNEAUX HOWARD,
Deputy Earl Marshal.

Horse Guards, the 7th November 1817.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS the Prince Regent, acting in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, does not require that the officers of the army should wear any other mourning on the present melancholy occasion than a black crape round their left arm with their uniforms.

By Command of His Royal Highness the Commander-in-Chief,

HENRY CULVERT,
Adjutant General.

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Admiralty Office, the 7th November 1817

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, acting in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, does not require that the officers of the fleet or royal marines should wear any other mourning on the present melancholy occasion than a black crape round their left arm with their uniforms.

J. W. CROKER.

12.

HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE III. 29th January 1820.

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

Fort William, the 5th June 1820.

IN consequence of the lamented death of His late Most Gracious Majesty King George the Third, His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General in Council is pleased to direct that mourning be worn by the officers of His Majesty's and the Hon'ble Company's Civil, Military, and Marine services belonging to the Presidency of Fort William.

The mourning is to commence at Calcutta on Sunday next, the 11th instant.

The Governor General in Council requests that a similar mark of respect may be observed, on this most melancholy occasion, by all other classes of British subjects residing within the Provinces subject to this Presidency.

Ordered, that the flag of Fort William be hoisted half mast high at sun-rise to-morrow, and that minute guns, corresponding with the age of His late Majesty, be fired on the flag being hoisted.

By Order of His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General in Council,

W. B. BAYLEY,
Chief Secretary to Government.

Fort William, the 5th June 1820.

THE Governor General in Council is pleased to direct the publication of the following Proclamation, a copy of which has been transmitted to the Sheriff of Calcutta to be proclaimed by him at the Public Court House at 7 o'clock to-morrow morning:

PROCLAMATION.

"It having pleased Almighty God to take unto himself our late beloved Sovereign King GEORGE THE THIRD, the Governor General in Council hereby announces the accession of His Majesty GEORGE THE FOURTH, now our Sovereign Liege Lord, King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of all the Dependencies thereof, to whom our fidelity and allegiance are rightfully due, whom may God preserve!"

Ordered, that a Royal Salute be fired from the ramparts of Fort William at 12 o'clock to-morrow in honor of the accession of His Most Gracious Majesty King GEORGE THE FOURTH.

By Order of His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General in Council,

W. B. BAYLEY,
Chief Secretary to Government.

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13.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent. 19th January 1820.

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

Fort William, the 6th June 1820.

The Governor General in Council is pleased to publish, for general information, the following extracts from the *London Gazette* of the 25th of January last:

Whitehall, the 20th January 1820.

Yesterday morning at ten o'clock departed this life, at Sidmouth, after a short illness, His Royal Highness Edward Duke of Kent and Strathern, His Majesty's fourth son, to the great grief of all the Royal Family.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, the 25th January 1820.

Orders for the Court's going into mourning on Sunday next, the 30th instant, for His late Royal Highness the Duke of Kent and Strathern, fourth son of His Majesty, *viz.*,—

The ladies to wear black bombazines, plain muslin, or long lawn, crape hoods, shamoy shoes and gloves, and crape fans.

Undress.—Dark Norwich crape.

The gentlemen to wear black cloth, without buttons on the sleeves or pockets, plain muslin or long lawn cravats and weepers, shamoy shoes and gloves, crape hat-bands, and black swords and buckles.

Undress.—Dark grey frocks.

Herald's College, the 25th January 1820.

The Deputy Earl Marshal's order for a general mourning for His late Royal Highness the Duke of Kent:

In pursuance of the Commands of His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, acting in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty:

These are to give public notice that it is expected that upon the present melancholy occasion of the death of His late Royal Highness Edward Duke of Kent and Strathern, fourth son of His Majesty, all persons do put themselves into decent mourning, the said mourning to begin on Sunday next, the 30th instant.

HENRY HOWARD MOLYNEAUX HOWARD,
Deputy Earl Marshal.

Horse Guards, the 25th January 1820.

It is not required that the officers of the army should wear any other mourning on the present melancholy occasion than a black crape round their left arms with their uniforms.

By Command of His Royal Highness the Commander-in-Chief,

HENRY CALVERT,
Adjutant General.

Admiralty Office, the 25th January 1820.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent does not require that the officers of His Majesty's fleet or marines should wear any other mourning on the present melancholy occasion of the death of His late Royal Highness the Duke of Kent and Strathern than a black crape round their left arms with their uniforms.

J. W. CROKER.

With reference to the orders published in the *Government Gazette Extraordinary* of yesterday, directing that mourning be worn by the officers of His Majesty's and of the Hon'ble Company's Civil, Military, and Marine Services, belonging to the Presidency of Fort William, on the occasion of the death of His late Most Gracious Majesty King George the Third, the Governor General in Council considers it to be unnecessary that any separate orders should be issued for mourning being worn on the melancholy occasion of the death of His late Royal Highness the Duke of Kent and Strathern.

Ordered, that the flag of Fort William be hoisted half mast high at sun-rise to-morrow, and that minute guns, corresponding with the age of His late Royal Highness the Duke of Kent and Strathern, be fired.

By Order of His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General in Council,

W. B. BAYLEY,
Chief Secretary to Government.

14.

HER MAJESTY QUEEN CAROLINE. 7th August 1821.

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

Fort William, the 6th March 1822.

AUTHENTIC intelligence having been received of the death of Her Majesty Queen Caroline Amelia Elizabeth, notice is hereby given that the Most Noble the Governor General in Council and the principal officers of the Government, civil and military, will go into mourning on Sunday, the 10th instant, in consequence of that melancholy event.

Military officers are not expected to wear any other mourning on the present occasion than a black crape round their left arms with their uniforms.

By Command of His Excellency the Governor General in Council,

C. LUSHINGTON,
Acting Chief Secretary to Govt.

15.

RIGHT REVEREND THE LORD BISHOP OF CALCUTTA (BISHOP MIDDLETON). 8th July 1822.

Fort William, Wednesday, the 10th July 1822.

WITH sentiments of the deepest concern the Governor General in Council notifies to the public the decease, on the night of Monday last, of the RIGHT REVEREND THE LORD BISHOP OF CALCUTTA.

His Excellency in Council, adverting to the unaffected piety, the enlarged benevolence, and the acknowledged moderation, of the late Bishop, conceives that he only anticipates the eager and unanimous feeling of all classes of the Christian inhabitants of this city when he announces his desire that every practicable degree of respect and veneration should be manifested on this most distressing occasion to the memory of this excellent and lamented prelate.

His Excellency in Council is pleased, therefore, to request that the principal officers of Government, both civil and military, will attend at the melancholy ceremony of the Bishop's interment, and that every other public demonstration of attention and respect consistent with the occasion be observed on the day appointed for the funeral.

By Command of His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General in Council,

C. LUSHINGTON,
Acting Chief Secretary to Govt.

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16.

THE HONORABLE SIR HENRY BLOSSET, Chief Justice, Calcutta. 1st February 1823.

Fort William, Sunday, the 2nd February 1823.

THE Governor General in Council notifies to the public, with the deepest regret, the demise of the Honorable Sir Henry Blosset, the Chief Justice of Bengal, on the night of Saturday last.

The Governor General in Council adverting to the distinguished character of the deceased, and to his eminent qualifications for the high office of which he had so recently assumed the charge, is persuaded that the inhabitants of this city will participate in the concern which he feels on this most distressing event, and will cordially concur with him in the desire that every practicable degree of respect to the memory of the late Chief Justice should be manifested on the occasion.

It is accordingly requested that the principal officers of Government, both civil and military, will attend at the interment of the late Chief Justice, and that every other demonstration of respect and attention suited to such a ceremony be observed on the day appointed for the funeral.

By Command of the Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

C. LUSHINGTON,
Acting Chief Secretary to Government.

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17.

SIR CHRISTOPHER PULLER, Chief Justice, Calcutta. 25th May 1824.

Fort William, the 26th May 1824.

WITH the deepest regret the Governor General in Council notifies to the public the demise of the Honorable Sir Christopher Puller, the Chief Justice of Bengal, late last night.

His Lordship in Council requests that the principal officers of Government, both civil and military, will attend at the interment of the late Chief Justice, and that every demonstration of respect and attention may be publicly observed on this melancholy occasion.

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council,

W. B. BAYLEY,
Chief Secretary to Government.

18.

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR DAVID OCHTERLONY. 15th July 1825.

General Order by the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

The 28th July 1825.

THE Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council has learnt with great sorrow the demise of Major-General Sir David Ochterlony, Resident in Malwah and Rajpootana. This melancholy event took place on the morning of the 15th instant at Meerut, whither he had proceeded for the benefit of change of air.

On the eminent military services of Major-General Sir David Ochterlony, it would be superfluous to dilate. They have been acknowledged in terms of the highest praise by successive Governments; they justly earned a special and substantial reward from the Hon'ble East India Company; they have been recognised with expressions of admiration and applause by the British Parliament; and they have been honored with signal marks of the approbation of his Sovereign.

With the name of Sir David Ochterlony are associated many of the proudest recollections of the Bengal Army, and to the renown of splendid achievements he added, by the attainment of the highest honors of the Military Order of the Bath, the singular felicity of opening to his gallant companions an access to those tokens of royal favor which are the dearest object of a soldier's ambition.

The diplomatic qualifications of Sir David Ochterlony were not less conspicuous than his military talents. To an admirably vigorous intellect and consummate address, he united the essential requisites of an intimate knowledge of the Native character, language, and manners. The confidence which the Government reposed in an individual gifted with such rare endowments was evinced by the high and responsible situations which he successively filled, and the duties of which he discharged with eminent ability and advantage to the public interests.

As an especial testimony of the high respect in which the character and services of Major-General Sir David Ochterlony are held, and as a public demonstration of sorrow for his demise, the Governor General in Council is pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of sixty-eight, corresponding with his age, be fired this evening at sun-set from the ramparts of Fort William.

By Command of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

GEORGE SWINTON,
Secretary to Government.

19.

THE HONORABLE JOHN FENDALL, Member of Council. 10th November 1825.

Fort William, the 10th November 1825.

WITH the deepest regret the Governor General in Council notifies to the public the demise, early this morning, of the Honorable John Fendall, Esquire, Member of the Supreme Council.

His Lordship in Council requests that the principal officers of Government, both civil and military, will attend at the interment of the late Mr. Fendall, and that every demonstration of respect and attention may be publicly observed on this melancholy occasion.

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council,

W. B. BAYLEY,
Chief Secretary to Govt.

20.

BRIGADIER-GENERAL W. T. EDWARDS. 20th January 1826.

General Orders by His Excellency the Right Hon'ble the Commander-in-Chief.
Head Quarters Bhurtpore, the 20th January 1826.

IT is with feelings of deep regret that His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief announces to the army the death of Brigadier-General Edwards of the wounds he received in the storm of Bhurtpore on the 18th instant. The gallantry evinced by this officer in leading his brigade during the assault, and the high character he bore, render his fall a public calamity, as well as a private misfortune; but those friends who now grieve for his untimely fate have the consolation of knowing that in life he was esteemed and respected, and in death mourned for and lamented.

By Order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,

W. L. WATSON,
Adjutant General of the Army.

21.

RIGHT REVEREND THE LORD BISHOP OF CALCUTTA (BISHOP REGINALD HEBER). 3rd April 1826.

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

Fort William, the 14th April 1826.

THE Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council has received the painful intelligence of the sudden death of the Right Reverend Reginald, Lord Bishop of Calcutta, on the 3rd instant, at Trichinopoly.

This distressing event having occurred at a distance from Calcutta, His Lordship in Council has not, as on a former melancholy occasion, to invite the community to join in paying the last solemn honors to the deceased prelate; but he entertains the conviction that every individual acquainted with the learning and worth of Bishop Heber will participate in the deep and heart-felt sorrow of the Government at the loss of one who was endeared to this society by his engaging manners, extensive benevolence, and unaffected piety.

The late Bishop had recently finished a long and laborious visitation through the territories of Bengal and Bombay, during which he had secured the good-will and veneration of all classes with whom he had communication, by his gentle and unassuming demeanour, and had proceeded to the Provinces under Fort St. George in order to complete this important branch of his episcopal duty, when a sudden and awful dispensation deprived Christianity of one of its most enlightened, most ardent, and most amiable ministers.

The Governor General in Council is pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of forty-two, corresponding with the age of the deceased Bishop, be fired this evening at sun-set from the ramparts of Fort William.

By Command of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council,

C. LUSHINGTON,
Chief Secretary to Government.

22.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF YORK. 5th January 1827.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 12th May 1827.

AUTHENTIC intelligence having been received of the lamented death of His Royal Highness the Duke of York and Albany on Friday, the 5th day of January last, His Excellency the Right Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council is pleased to direct that mourning be worn by the officers of His Majesty's and of the Hon'ble Company's Civil, Military, and Marine Services, belonging to the Presidency of Fort William.

The mourning is to commence at Calcutta on Sunday, the 20th instant, and is to be continued for a period of six weeks.

The Vice-President in Council requests that a similar mark of respect may, on this melancholy occasion, be observed by all other classes of British subjects residing within the Provinces subject to this Presidency.

Ordered, that the flag of Fort William be immediately hoisted half mast high, and that minute guns, corresponding with the age of His late Royal Highness the Duke of York and Albany, be fired from the ramparts at noon.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council,

C. LUSHINGTON,
Chief Secretary to Government.

General Orders by His Excellency the Right Hon'ble the Commander-in-Chief.

Head Quarters Calcutta, the 12th May 1827.

IN consequence of the melancholy intelligence which has been received of the decease of His Royal Highness the Duke of York, the officers of the army will go into mourning on Sunday, the 20th instant.

They are not expected to wear any other mourning with their uniforms on this occasion than black crape over the ornamental part of the cap or hat, the sword knot, and round the left arm.

By Order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,

W. L. WATSON,
Adjutant General of the Army.

The following General Order issued to His Majesty's Army in India:

No. 132—GENERAL ORDER.

Head Quarters Calcutta, the 14th May 1827.

IT is with feelings of the deepest sorrow that Lord Combermere announces to His Majesty's Army the death of its illustrious Commander-in-Chief, His Royal Highness the Duke of York.

The heart of every officer and soldier of the British Army will tell him, in language that cannot be expressed, how much his profession has lost of military virtue, of character, of consequence and support, by the departure of this distinguished Prince. The brave will mourn their patron and leader; military order and high discipline must now look to the benefits conferred on the army by their firm establishment, and, in the exercise, preserve them; for the distinguished Chief, who connected and cemented both with our national bravery, is no more. A name, however, so imperishable in the army will never die. The British soldier will never forget the Duke of York. That cherished name will always be the rallying sound for everything that is exemplary in discipline and glorious in war.

The officers of the army will go into mourning on Sunday, the 20th instant, for a period of six weeks.

The mourning to consist of black crape over the ornamental part of the hat and cap, the sword knot, and a band round the left arm. The officers on duty to wear black gorget ribband; black crape is to be hung from the pike of the colour staff of the infantry, and from the standard staff of the cavalry.

The mourning to commence with the corps of His Majesty's Army at Madras and Bombay as soon as possible after the receipt of this order, and likewise at the upper stations under this Presidency.

By Order of the Commander-in-Chief,

A. MACDONALD,
Adjt. Genl. of His Majesty's Army in India.

23.

His Highness Maharajah Dowlut Rao Sindheea. 21st March 1827.

General Order by the Right Honorable the Vice-President in Council.

Political Department.

Fort William, the 31st March 1827.

Official intelligence having this day been received from the Resident at Gwalior of the demise, on the 21st instant, of His Highness Maharajah Dowlut Rao Sindheea, the Right Honorable the Vice-President in Council is pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of forty-eight, corresponding with the years of His late Highness, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William.

By Command of the Right Honorable the Vice-President in Council,

GEO. SWINTON,
Secretary to Government.

24.

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR THOMAS MUNRO, BART., K. C. B., Governor of Fort St. George. 6th July 1827.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 19th July 1827.

NOTIFICATION.

WITH sentiments of deep regret His Excellency the Vice-President in Council announces that official intelligence has been received by Government of the death of Major-General Sir Thomas Munro, Bart., K. C. B., Governor of Fort St. George, on the 6th instant, near Gooty.

As a mark of respect for the memory of the late Sir Thomas Munro, His Excellency in Council is pleased to direct that minute guns, corresponding with the number of the years of the deceased, be fired this afternoon from the ramparts of Fort William, the flag being hoisted half mast high until sun-set.

By Command of the Right Honorable the Vice-President in Council,

C. LUSHINGTON,
Chief Secretary to Government.

MADRAS GOVERNMENT GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

Fort St. George, the 9th July 1827.

WITH sentiments of the deepest concern the Government announces the decease of the Hon'ble Sir Thomas Munro, Baronet, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor of the Presidency of Fort St. George. This event occurred at Putteecondah, near Gooty, on the evening of Friday, the 6th instant.

The eminent person whose life has been thus suddenly snatched away was on the eve of returning to his native country, honored with signal marks of esteem and approbation from his Sovereign, from the East India Company which he had served for more than forty-seven years, from every authority with which he had occasion to cöoperate, from the public at large, and from private friends. From the earliest period of his service he was remarkable among other men. His sound and vigorous understanding, his transcendent talents, his indefatigable application, his varied stores of knowledge, his attainments as an Oriental scholar, his intimate acquaintance with the habits and feelings of the Native soldiers and inhabitants generally, his patience, temper, facility of access, and kindness of manner, would have ensured him distinction in any line of employment. These qualities were admirably adapted to the duties which he had to perform in organizing the resources, and establishing the tranquility, of those Provinces, where his latest breath had been drawn, and where he had long been known by the appellation of *Father* of the people. In the higher stations, civil and military, which he afterwards filled, the energies of his character never failed to rise superior to the exigencies of public duty. He had been for seven years at the head of the Government under which he first served as a cadet, and afterwards became the ablest of its revenue officers, and acquired the highest distinction as

a military commander. He had raised its character and fame to a higher pitch than it ever enjoyed before. His own ambition was more than fulfilled, and he appeared to be about to reap in honorable retirement the well-earned rewards of his services and his virtues, when these have received the last stamp of value from the hand of death.

Though sensible how feeble and imperfect must be any hasty tribute to Sir Thomas Munro's merits, yet the Government cannot allow the event, which they deplore, to be announced to the public without some expression of their sentiments.

The flag of Fort St. George will be immediately hoisted half staff high, and continue so till sun-set.

Minute guns, sixty-five in number, corresponding with the age of the deceased, will be fired from the ramparts of Fort St. George.

Similar marks of respect will be paid to the memory of Sir Thomas Munro at all the principal military stations and posts dependant on this Presidency.

By Order of Government,

D. HILL,
Chief Secretary.

25.

HIS MAJESTY GHAZEE-OOD-DEEN HYDER, King of Oudh. 20th October 1827.

General Order by the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 27th October 1827.

THE Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council having this day received from the Resident at the Court of Lucknow the melancholy intelligence of the demise of His Majesty the King of Oudh on the 20th instant, is pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of fifty-eight, corresponding with the years of the deceased, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William and at all the principal stations of the army under this Presidency.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

GEORGE SWINTON,
Acting Chief Secretary to Govt.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 30th October 1827.

HIS MAJESTY Solyman Jah Nusseer-ood-deen Hyder, son of His late Majesty Abool Moozuffer Moiz-ood-deen, Shah Zumeen Ghazee-ood-deen Hyder, having ascended the throne of Oudh on the 20th instant, the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council has been pleased to direct that a royal salute and three vollies of musketry shall be fired from the ramparts of Fort William and at all the principal stations of the army in honor of that event.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

GEORGE SWINTON,
Acting Chief Secretary to Govt.

26.

RIGHT REVEREND THE LORD BISHOP OF CALCUTTA (BISHOP JAMES). 22nd August 1828.

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 17th October 1828.

WITH deep sorrow the Governor General in Council announces to the public that he has received official intelligence of the decease of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Calcutta.

His Lordship was seized with severe illness in the month of July last while in progress on a visitation to the Western Provinces, and a voyage to sea, which had been prescribed as affording the only chance of recovery, proved inadequate to stay the violence of the disease. It proved fatal on the 22nd August on board the Hon'ble Company's ship *Marquis of Huntly*.

His Lordship's exercise of the important functions of his exalted ministry in this country was comparatively short, but the claims he had established to the regard and esteem of the members of this society and of the community of the settlement will make his loss a source of sincere regret.

Within the short space of little more than five years, the British community in India have thrice had to bewail the loss of the chief minister of their religion in the country, and the name of Bishop James will be associated in their recollection with those of his predecessors not more by the similarity of his fate than by his amiable disposition and exalted virtues.

As a mark of respect to the high station of the deceased, and of mournful regret for the loss sustained by this community, the Governor General in Council is pleased to direct that the flag of Fort William shall be hoisted half mast high at sun-rise to-morrow morning, and shall continue to be so displayed during the day, and that forty-three minute guns, corresponding with the age of the deceased, shall be fired from the ramparts in the afternoon.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

H. T. PRINSEP,
Secretary to Government.

27.

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN DOWAGER OF WURTEMBURG. 6th October 1828.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 4th April 1829.

OFFICIAL intelligence having been received of the death of Her late Majesty the Queen Dowager of Wurtemburg at Ludwigsburg on the 6th October 1828, the Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council is pleased to direct that mourning be worn by the officers of His Majesty's and of the Hon'ble Company's Civil, Military, and Marine Services belonging to the Presidency of Fort William until further orders.

The Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council requests that a similar mark of respect may, on this melancholy occasion, be observed by all other classes of British subjects residing within the Provinces subject to this Presidency.

By Order of the Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council,

GEO. SWINTON,
Chief Secretary to Government.

28.

THE HON'BLE COLONEL J. KREFTING, Chief of His Danish Majesty's Settlement at Serampore. 7th October 1828.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 11th October 1828.

THE Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council has received, with the deepest regret, official information of the decease of the Hon'ble Colonel J. Krefting, Chief of His Danish Majesty's Settlement at Serampore, which melancholy event took place at that Settlement on the evening of the 7th instant.

As a tribute of public respect to the high situation so long filled by the late Colonel Krefting, and as a mark of esteem for his public character, the Governor General in Council is pleased to direct that seventy-one minute guns, corresponding with the age of the deceased, shall be fired from the ramparts of Fort William this afternoon, the flag being at the same time hoisted half mast high.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

H. T. PRINSEP,
Secretary to Government.

29.

His Highness the Nizam of Hyderabad. 21st May 1829.

General Orders by the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council.

Political Department.

Fort William, the 30th May 1829.

The Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council, having this day received from the Resident at the Court of Hyderabad the melancholy intelligence of the demise of His Highness the Nizam on the 21st instant, is pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of fifty-eight, corresponding with the years of the deceased, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William and at all the principal stations of the army under this Presidency.

By Command of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

GEO. SWINTON,
Chief Secretary to Government.

Political Department.

Fort William, the 12th June 1829.

Despatches having been received from the Resident at Hyderabad announcing the accession of His Highness the Nawab Asif Jah Moozuffir-ool-Moomaulik, Nizam-ool-Moolk Meer Furkhoondeh Ali Khaun Behader Futteh Jung, to the musnud of the Deccan on the 24th ultimo with the usual ceremonies, the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council is pleased to direct that a royal salute and three vollies of musketry be fired from the ramparts of Fort William and at all the principal stations of the army in honor of the occasion.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

GEO. SWINTON,
Chief Secretary to Government.

30.

HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE IV. 26th June 1830.

General Orders by the Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 22nd October 1830.

IN consequence of the lamented death of His late Most Gracious Majesty King George the Fourth, the Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council is pleased to direct that mourning be worn by the officers of His Majesty's and the Hon'ble Company's Civil, Military, and Marine Services belonging to the Presidency of Fort William.

The mourning is to commence at Calcutta on Sunday next, the 24th instant.

The Vice-President in Council requests that a similar mark of respect may be observed on this most melancholy occasion by all other classes of British subjects residing within the Provinces subject to this Presidency.

Ordered, that the flag of Fort William be hoisted half mast high at sun-rise to-morrow, and that minute guns, corresponding with the age (68) of His late Majesty, be fired on the flag being hoisted.

By Order of the Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council,

GEO. SWINTON,
Chief Secretary to Government.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 22nd October 1830.

THE Vice-President in Council is pleased to direct the publication of the following Proclamation, a copy of which has been transmitted to the Sheriff of Calcutta, to be proclaimed by him at the Public Court House at 8 o'clock to-morrow morning:

PROCLAMATION.

It having pleased Almighty God to take unto himself our late beloved Sovereign King George the Fourth, the Vice-President in Council hereby announces the accession of His Majesty William the Fourth, now our Sovereign Liege Lord, King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of all the Dependencies thereof, to whom our fidelity and allegiance are rightfully due, whom may God long preserve!

Ordered, that a royal salute be fired from the ramparts of Fort William at 12 o'clock to-morrow in honor of the accession of His Most Gracious Majesty King William the Fourth.

By Order of the Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council,

GEO. SWINTON,
Chief Secretary to Government.

ORDERED, that copies of the foregoing Orders and Proclamation be sent to the Military Secretary to the Commander-in-Chief and to the Political and Military Departments for such further orders as may be deemed necessary.

The Vice-President in Council also directs that St. John's Cathedral, the Old Church, St. James' Church, and St. Andrew's Church, be put into mourning as a testimony of respect for the memory of His late Most Gracious Majesty.

Ordered also, that are extract from the Proceedings be recorded in the Ecclesiastical Department, whence the necessary instructions to the proper authorities are to be issued for carrying the preceding resolution into effect.

GEO. SWINTON,
Chief Secretary to Government.

General Order by the Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 22nd October 1830.

No. 215 *of* 1830.—On the melancholy occasion of the death of His Most Gracious Majesty King George the Fourth, late Sovereign of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council is pleased to direct that, on the receipt of these orders, the flag shall be hoisted half mast high, and sixty-eight minute guns, corresponding with the age of His late Majesty, be fired at each of the principal garrisons and stations under this Presidency.

The Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council is further pleased to direct that a royal salute and three vollies of small arms be likewise fired in honor of the accession of His Most Gracious Majesty King William the Fourth.

W. CASEMENT, *Colonel,*
Secretary to Government.

General Order by the Right Hon'ble the Commander-in-Chief.

Dated the 23rd October 1830.

REFERRING to the order by the Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council, relative to the general mourning for His late Most Gracious Majesty King George the Fourth, the Commander-in-Chief does not require the officers of the army to appear in any other than the usual mourning, *viz.*, a black crape round the left arm, with the addition of a crape over the sword knot. The mourning is to commence at the Presidency on Sunday next, the 24th instant, and at all other stations on the day after the receipt of this order.

CHRIS. FAGAN,
Adjutant General of the Army.

31.

RIGHT REVEREND THE LORD BISHOP OF CALCUTTA (BISHOP TURNER).
7th July 1831.

Fort William, Thursday, the 7th July 1831.

WITH sentiments of the deepest concern, the Vice-President in Council notifies to the public the demise, this morning, of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Calcutta, by which awful event Christianity has been deprived of a prelate of the highest character, whose conspicuous virtues, amiable disposition, and exemplary zeal in the discharge of his sacred duties, must cause his loss to be mourned as a general calamity.

The Vice-President in Council requests that the principal officers of Government, civil and military, and all persons who may desire to take this opportunity to mark their respect for the memory of the deceased Bishop, will attend at the melancholy ceremony of his interment.

The flag of Fort William is to be hoisted half mast high at sunrise to-morrow morning, and minute guns to the number of forty-five, corresponding with the age of the deceased, will be fired from the ramparts.

By Command of the Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council,

G. A. BUSHBY,
Offg. Secy. to Govt., General Dept.

32.

SIR WILLIAM O. RUSSELL, KT., Chief Justice, Calcutta. 22nd January 1833.

Fort William, Tuesday, the 5th February 1833.

WITH sentiments of the deepest regret, the Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council announces the melancholy event of the demise of the Hon'ble Sir William O. Russell, Kt., Chief Justice of Bengal, on board the Hon'ble Company's steamer *Enterprise*, off Penang, on the morning of the 22nd ultimo.

By Order of the Hon'ble the Vice-President in Council,

GEO. SWINTON,
Chief Secretary to Govt.

33.

THE HON'BLE J. S. HOHLENBERG, Chief of His Danish Majesty's Settlement at Serampore. 11th May 1833.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 13th May 1833.

THE Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council has received, with the deepest regret, official information of the decease of the Hon'ble J. S. Hohlenberg, Chief of His Danish Majesty's Settlement at Serampore, which melancholy event took place after a long and lingering illness on the 11th instant upon the river.

As a tribute of public respect to the high situation filled by the late Mr. Hohlenberg, and as a mark of esteem for his personal character, the Governor General in Council is pleased to direct that thirty-eight minute guns, corresponding with the age of the deceased, shall be fired from the ramparts of Fort William this afternoon, the flag being at the same time hoisted half mast high.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

G. A. BUSHBY,
Offg. Secretary to Govt.

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34.

His Highness Maharajah Mulhar Rao Holkar. 27th October 1833.

General Order by the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council.

Political Department.

Fort William, the 6th November 1833.

The Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council, having this day received from the Resident at the Court at Indoor the melancholy intelligence of the demise of His Highness Maharajah Mulhar Rao Holkar on the 27th ultimo, is pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of twenty-seven, corresponding with the years of the deceased, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William.

By Command of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

W. H. MACNAGHTEN,
Secretary to Government.

35.

MR. J. W. RICKETTS, Additional Principal Sudder Ameen at Gya. 28th July 1835.

No. 1599.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 4th August 1835.

THE following extract from a letter from the Judge of Behar, announcing the demise of Mr. J. W. Ricketts, late Additional Principal Sudder Ameen at Gya, is published for general information as a testimony highly honorable to the character of the deceased:

> "It is my painful duty to announce to you, for the information of the Honorable the Governor of Bengal, the demise of Mr. J. W. Ricketts, late Additional Principal Sudder Ameen at Gya, which event took place on the morning of the 28th instant.
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> "I feel satisfied that it will be gratifying to the Honorable the Governor of Bengal, as well as to the afflicted family and friends of the deceased, to learn that the whole Native community of this place, amounting to some thousands, evinced their respect for his public character by following his remains to the grave.
>
> "S. T. CUTHBERT,
> *Judge.*"

"*Zillah Behar, the 29th July* 1835."

By Order of the Honorable the Governor of Bengal,

J. P. GRANT,
Deputy Secy. to Govt. of Bengal.

36.

HIS MAJESTY KING WILLIAM IV. 20th June 1837.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, Thursday, the 31st August 1837.

IN consequence of the lamented death of His late Most Gracious Majesty King William the Fourth, the Right Honorable the Governor General of India in Council is pleased to direct that mourning be worn by the officers of His Majesty's and the Hon'ble Company's Civil, Military, and Marine Services belonging to the Pesidency of Fort William.

The mourning is to commence at Calcutta on Sunday next, the 3rd proximo.

The Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council requests that a similar mark of respect may be observed on this most melancholy occasion by all other classes of British subjects residing within the Provinces subject to this Presidency.

Ordered, that the flag of Fort William be hoisted half mast high, and that minute guns, corresponding with the age of His late Majesty, be fired on the flag being hoisted.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council,

H. T. PRINSEP,
Secretary to Government.

Fort William, the 31st August 1837.

THE Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council is pleased to direct the publication of the following Proclamation, a copy of which has been transmitted by the Right Hon'ble the Governor of Bengal to the Sheriff of Calcutta, to be proclaimed by him at the Public Court House at 5 o'clock this evening.

H. T. PRINSEP,
Secretary to Government.

PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS it has pleased Almighty God to call to His Mercy our late Sovereign Lord King William the Fourth, of blessed and glorious memory, by whose decease the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland is solely and rightfully come to the High and Mighty Princess Alexandrina Victoria, saving the rights of any issue of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, which may be born of his late Majesty's Consort, We, therefore, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal of this Realm, being here assisted with those of His late Majesty's Privy Council, with numbers of other principal gentlemen of quality, with the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of London, do now hereby, with one voice and consent of tongue and heart, publish and proclaim that the High and Mighty Princess Alexandrina Victoria is now, by the death of our late Sovereign of happy memory, become our only lawful and rightful Liege Lady Victoria, by the Grace of God, Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, saving as aforesaid: To whom, saving as aforesaid, we do acknowledge all faith and constant obedience, with all hearty and humble affection; beseeching God, by whom Kings and Queens do reign, to bless the Royal Princess, Victoria, with long and happy years to reign over us.

Given at our Court at Kensington, this twentieth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

ERNEST.
AUGUSTUS FREDERICK.
W. CANTUAR.
COTTENHAM, C.
E. EBOR.
LANSDOWNE, P.
DUNCANNON, P. S.
NORFOLK, E. M.
RICHMOND.
LEEDS.
WELLINGTON.
WESTMEATH.
WESTMINSTER.
HERTFORD.
CAMDEN.
VANE LONDONDERRY.
GASCOIGNE SALISBURY.
DELAMERE.
BRECKNOCK.
CLARENDON.
WILTON.
JERSEY.
ROSEBERY.
BELFAST.
LICHFIELD.
GREY.
SHAFTESBURY.
TANKERVILLE.
ALBEMARLE.
RIPON.
ABERDEEN.
HADDINGTON.
CARLISLE.
CLARE.
AMHERST.
MINTO.
J. RUSSELL.
FRANCIS EGERTON.
CHARLES FITZROY.
G. C. H. SOMERSET.
WILLIAM RUSSELL.
MELBOURNE.
LOWTHER.
STRANGFORD.
HOWICK.
CANTERBURY.
COMBERMERE.
MORPETH.
PALMERSTON.
CASTLEREAGH.
BROUGHAM.
DENMAN.
BURGHERSH.
LYNDHURST.
HATHERTON.
STANLEY.
ELLENBOROUGH.
HEYTESBURY.
ABINGER.
HILL.
COWLEY.
STUART DE ROTHSAY.
LANGDALE, M. R.
FITZGERALD AND VESCI.
GLENELG.
WALLACE.
WYNFORD.
JAMES ABERCROMBIE.
J. PARKE.
GEORGE MURRAY.
J. W. CROKER.
GORE OUSELEY.
JOHN BECKETT.
J. C. HERRIES.
J. C. HOBHOUSE.
W. STURGES BOURNE.
ROBERT GORDON.
CHARLES TENNYSON D'EYNCOURT.
H. PARNELL.
G. H. ROSE.
W. H. FREMANTLE.
CHARLES WATKIN WILLIAMS WYNN.
ROBERT PEEL.
C. POULETT THOMSON.
H. ELLIS.
EDWARD ELLICE.
S. R. LUSHINGTON.
H. HARDINGE.
H. LABOUCHERE.
LANCELOT SHADWELL, V. C.
T. ERSKINE.
N. C. TINDAL.
GEORGE BYNG.
STRATFORD CANNING.
E. KNATCHBULL.
H. CORRY.
J. B. BOSANQUET.
ALEXR. JOHNSTON.
H. W. WILLIAMS WYNN.
J. R. G. GRAHAM.
THOS. PER. COURTENEY.
W. DUNDAS.
GEORGE WARRENDER.
JOHN VAUGHAN.
C. GREVILLE.
WM. L. BATHURST.
FRED. SHAW.
ROB. SHAW.
THOS. GREENE.
THOS. KELLY, *Mayor.*
J. M. WOOD.
J. DUKE.
HENRY WINCHESTER, *Alderman.*
DAVID WM. WIRE.
ANT. BROWN.
JOHN MIREHOUSE.
THOS. HARTWELL HORNE.
ROSS, *Rear Admiral.*
J. CAMPBELL.
R. M. ROLFE.
J. CAWAN, *Alderman.*
J. PIRIE, *Alderman.*
SIR PETER LAURIE, *Alderman.*
JOHN JOHNSON, *Sheriff.*
WM. ST. JULIEN ARABIN.
T. FRANKLAND LEWIS.
W. M. VIZARD.
JAMES M. FIRTH.
ANDREW SPOTTISWOODE.
W. VENABLES, *Alderman.*
HENRY MARRIOTT.
JAS. SHAW, *Chamberlain of London.*
FRAS. B. HOOKEY, *Comptroller of Chamber of London.*
ROBERT WESTWOOD, *Deputy.*
H. HAINES.
ROBERT HARRY INGLIS.
C. A. HAMILTON.
CHAPMAN MARSHALL, *Alderman.*
C. TYRRELL, *City Remembrancer.*
R. F. NEWMAN, *City Solicitor.*
CHARLES WILLIAM HICK.
H. WINSTON BARRON, *M. P.*
N. BATE.
FRED. ADAIR ROE.
J. B. LENNARD.
HENRY GAITSKELL.
HARRY CHESTER.
WM. WOODS, *Clarencieux.*
EDMOND HARRISON.
H. B. LENNARD.
CHARLES GEO. VILLIERS BAYLY.
JOHN LAINSON.
RICHD. L. JONES.
EDWARD CUST.
HENRY J. SETON.
FRED. C. MUNDY.

(True copy.)

H. T. PRINSEP,
Secretary to Government.

Ordered, that a royal salute be fired from the ramparts of Fort William at 5 o'clock this afternoon in honor of the accession of Her Most Sacred Majesty Queen Victoria.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council,

H. T. PRINSEP,
Secretary to Government.

Ordered, that copies of the foregoing Orders and Proclamation be sent to the Political and Military Departments of India and to the Government of Bengal in the General Department for such further orders as may be deemed necessary.

Ordered also, that a copy of the foregoing Orders be transmitted to the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

H. T. PRINSEP,
Secretary to Government.

General Order by the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 31*st August* 1837.

No. 178 *of* 1837.—On the melancholy occasion of the death of His Most Gracious Majesty King William the Fourth, late Sovereign of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council is pleased to direct that, on the receipt of these orders, the flag shall be hoisted half mast high, and seventy-two minute guns, corresponding with the age of His late Majesty, be fired at each of the principal garrisons and stations under this Presidency.

The Governor General of India in Council is further pleased to direct that a royal salute, and three vollies of small arms, be likewise fired in honor of the accession of Her Most Sacred Majesty Queen Victoria.

WM. CASEMENT,
Secretary to Government.

General Order by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

Head Quarters Simla, the 11*th September* 1837.

IN conformity with the orders of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council for a general mourning for His late Most Gracious Majesty King William the Fourth, as notified in the 1st paragraph of the *Calcutta Gazette Extraordinary* of the 31st ultimo, His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief is pleased to direct black crape to be worn by the officers of the army when in uniform round the left arm and over the sword-knot.

The mourning is to commence at head quarters on the 12th instant, and at all other stations of the army on the day after the receipt of this order.

By Order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,

J. R. LUMLEY, *Major-General,*
Adjutant General of the Army.

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GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 4th October 1837.

NOTICE.

THE public mourning ordered on the 31st August last, to be observed on the occasion of the death of His late Most Gracious Majesty William the Fourth, will be discontinued on Sunday next, the 8th instant.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council,

H. T. PRINSEP,
Secretary to Government.

37.

HIS MAJESTY NUSSEER-OOD-DEEN HYDER, King of Oudh. 8th July 1837.

General Order by the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 14th July 1837.

THE Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council, having this day received from the Resident at the Court of Lucknow the melancholy intelligence of the demise of His Majesty the King of Oudh on the 8th instant, is pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of thirty-five, corresponding with the years of the deceased, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William and at all the principal stations of the army under this Presidency.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council,

W. H. MACNAGHTEN,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 14th July 1837.

HIS MAJESTY Abool Futteh, Mooeen-ood-deen, Sultan-i-Zuman, Nowsherewan-i-Audil, Mahomed Ally Shah, uncle of His late Majesty Solyman Jah Nusseer-ood-deen Hyder, having ascended the throne of Oudh on the 8th instant, the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council has been pleased to direct that a royal salute and three vollies of musketry shall be fired from the ramparts of Fort William and at all the principal stations of the army in honor of that event.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council,

W. H. MACNAGHTEN,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

38.

His Majesty Akbar Shah, King of Delhi. 28th September 1837.

Political Department.

Fort William, the 14th October 1837.

The Governor General in Council having received official intelligence of the demise of His Majesty Akbar Shah, King of Delhi, on the evening of the 28th ultimo, is pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of eighty-two, being the number of the years of the deceased, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William and at all the principal stations of the army, as a mark of respect for the memory of His deceased Majesty.

His Royal Highness the Prince Miza Mahomed Aboo Zuffer, the eldest son of His late Majesty, having ascended the throne of of Delhi under the titles of Abool Mozuffer Suraj-oo-deen Mahomed Buhadoor, the Governor General in Council is pleased to direct that, in honor of this occasion, a royal salute be subsequently fired from the ramparts of Fort William and at all the principal stations of the army under this Presidency.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council,

W. H. MACNAGHTEN,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Military Department.

Fort William, the 14th October 1837.

No. 212 *of* 1837.—Information of the demise of His Majesty Akbar Shah and of the accession of His Royal Highness the Prince Mirza Mahomed Aboo Zuffur having been received by Government, the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council is pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of eighty-two, corresponding with the years of His late Majesty, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William and at all the stations of the army under this Presidency, as a mark of respect to the memory of His late Majesty, and also that a royal salute be subsequently fired from the ramparts of Fort William and at all the principal stations of the army under this Presidency on the occasion of the accession of His Royal Highness the Prince Mirza Mahomed Aboo Zuffur to the throne of Delhi.

Wm. CASEMENT, *M. G.*,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

39.

THE HON'BLE HENRY SHAKESPEAR, Member of Council. 20th March 1838.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, Tuesday, the 20th March 1838.

THE Hon'ble Henry Shakespear, Esquire, Third Ordinary Member of the Council of India, died this day at noon at his house in Park Street, Chowringhee.

The President in Council, in notifying this mournful event to the community of this Presidency, requests that the officers of Government, civil and military, will attend the funeral of his colleague, which is to take place at 5 o'clock to-morrow evening, and that every demonstration of respect may be paid to the deceased on this melancholy occasion.

By Order of the President in Council,

H. T. PRINSEP,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

40.

THE RIGHT HON'BLE SIR ROBERT GRANT, G. C. H., Governor of Bombay. 9th July 1838.

No. 52.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 23rd July 1838.

OFFICIAL intelligence having been received of the demise, on the 9th instant, at Dhapooree, near Poonah, of the Right Hon'ble Sir Robert Grant, G. C. H., Governor of Bombay, the President in Council notifies this event to the public with sentiments of deep regret, and directs that, as a mark of respect for the memory of the deceased, sixty minute guns, corresponding with the age of the deceased, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William, and that the flag be hoisted half mast high until sun-set.

By Command of the Hon'ble the President in Council,

H. T. PRINSEP,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

41.

NUWAB NAZIM OF MOORSHEDABAD (SEYUD MUBARUK ULEE KHAN). 3rd October 1838.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 19th December 1838.

PROCLAMATION.

BY Order of the Government of India, the Deputy Governor of Bengal notifies to the public and to the allies of the British Government, and to all friendly powers, that the Nuwab-Shooja-ool Moolk Ihtisham ood Dowlah Humayoon Jah Seyud Mubaruk Ulee Khan Bahadoor Feeroz Jung, having departed this life at Moorshedabad on the 3rd October 1838, his son, the Nuwab Syyud Munsoor Alee Khan, has succeeded to the hereditary honors and dignities of the Nizamut and Subadaree of Bengal, Behar, and Orissa, and His Highness is hereby declared, under the authority of the Government of India, to be the Nazim and Subadar of Bengal, Behar, and Orissa, and to have assumed and to exercise the authority, dignities, and privileges thereof, under the style and title of Moontizum ool Moolk Mohsen ood Dowlah, Fureedoon Jah Syyud Munsoor Alee Khan Buhadur Nusrut Jung.

Published and proclaimed by His Honor the Deputy Governor of Bengal,

H. T. PRINSEP,
Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

General Order by the Hon'ble the Deputy Governor of Bengal.

Dated the 19th December 1838.

THE Hon'ble the Deputy Governor of Bengal has been pleased to direct that a salute of nineteen guns be fired from the ramparts of Fort William at 12 o'clock this day in honor of the accession of His Highness Syyud Munsoor Ali Khan to the musnud of the Provinces of Bengal, Behar, and Orissa, and that the above Proclamation be read at the head of all the troops in garrison at sun-set this evening under a salute of three vollies of musquetry.

H. T. PRINSEP,
Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

42.

MAHARAJA RUNJEET SINGH, Ruler of the Punjab. 27th June 1839.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 16th July 1839.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Hon'ble the President in Council having this day received from the Right Hon'ble the Governor General official intelligence of the decease of His Highness Maharaja Runjeet Singh, Ruler of the Punjab, on the 27th of June, is pleased, in testimony of the deep regret felt by the Government of India for the loss of this faithful and highly-valued ally, to direct that minute guns to the number of sixty, corresponding with the years of the deceased, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William.

By Order of the Hon'ble the President in Council,

H. T. PRINSEP,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

43.

His Highness Maharaja Khurruck Singh, Ruler of the Punjab, 5th November 1840; and his son Rao Nihal Singh, 6th November 1840.

Political Department.

Fort William, the 17th November 1840.

The Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council having this day received from the Agent of the Governor General on the North-Western Frontier official intelligence of the demise, on the 5th instant, of His Highness Maharaja Khurruck Singh, Ruler of the Punjab, is pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of forty-six, corresponding with the years of the late Maharaja, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council,

T. H. MADDOCK,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Confidential Department.

Fort William, the 18th November 1840.

Official information having been received of the untimely demise, on the 6th instant, of the late Prince Rao Nihal Singh, heir to the Lahore Sovereignty, from the effects of an accident sustained while issuing from the palace at Lahore for the performance of the funeral obsequies and the ceremonial of accession to the throne of his father, the late Maharaja Khurruck Sing, the Governor General of India in Council, in testimony of his sympathy in a calamity so deeply affecting a family with which the British Government has long been bound in close alliance, is pleased to direct that the honor due to the memory of a reigning Prince shall be rendered on this melancholy occasion. Twenty-two minute guns, corresponding with what is believed to have been the number of the years of the late Prince's age, will accordingly be fired on this date from the ramparts of Fort William.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council,

T. H. MADDOCK,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

44.

His Majesty Mahomed Ali Shah, King of Oudh. 17th May 1842.

No. 170.

Political Department.

Fort William, the 25th May 1842.

NOTIFICATION.

The Hon'ble the President of the Council of India in Council, having received the melancholy intelligence of the death, on the 17th instant, of His Majesty Mahomed Ali Shah, late King of Oudh, is pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of sixty-seven, corresponding with the age of the late King, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William this forenoon.

His Honor in Council having at the same time received a report from the Resident at Lucknow that the Prince Soorya Jah, eldest son of the late King, ascended the throne of Oudh on the 17th instant, is pleased to direct that a salute of twenty-one guns be fired from the ramparts of Fort William at sun-rise to-morrow morning.

By Order of the Hon'ble the President of the Council of India in Council,

G. A. BUSHBY,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

45.

His Highness Maharajah Junkojee Rao Sindheea. 7th February 1843.

Political Department.

Notification by the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India.

Camp Delhi, the 11th February 1843.

The Governor General having received from the Resident at Gwalior intelligence of the demise, on the 7th instant, of His Highness Junkojee Rao Sindheea, has been pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of twenty-seven, corresponding with the age of the deceased, be fired in honor of his memory at the principal military stations in Bengal and the North-Western Provinces.

The Governor General has also received information of the adoption, by the widow of the late Maharajah, with the assent of the chiefs and people, of Bhageerut Rao, the person nearest in blood to the late Maharajah. The title assumed by His Highness will hereafter be made known, and orders will then be issued for paying the accustomed honors on His Highness's accession.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India,

J. THOMASON,

Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India,
with the Governor General.

Political Department.

Camp Delhi, the 18th February 1843.

NOTIFICATION.

The Resident at Gwalior having reported, on the 4th instant, the accession of the adopted son of the late Maharajah Junkojee Rao Sindheea under the title of Maharajah Ali Jah Jyajee Rao Sindheea, to the vacant guddee of the Gwalior State, the Governor General is pleased to direct that a salute of nineteen guns be fired in honor of this event at the principal military stations in Bengal and the North-Western Provinces.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India,

J. THOMASON,

Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India,
with the Governor General.

46.

His Highness Maharajah Hurree Rao Holkar, of Indore. 24th October 1843.

No. 290 of 1843.

Foreign Department.

Fort William, the 20th December 1843.

NOTIFICATION.

The Hon'ble the President of the Council of India in Council, having received the melancholy intelligence of the death, on the 24th October last, of His Highness Maharajah Hurree Rao Holkar, of Indore, is pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of forty-eight, corresponding with the age of the late Maharajah, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William this afternoon.

T. R. DAVIDSON,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

47.

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR WILLIAM CASEMENT, K. C. B., Member of Council. 16th April 1844.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, Tuesday, the 16th April 1844.

THE Hon'ble Major-General Sir William Casement, K. C. B., Second Ordinary Member of the Supreme Council of India, died this day at four o'clock in the morning at Cossipore.

The Governor General in Council notifies with the deepest regret this mournful event to the community of the Presidency, and requests that the officers of Government, civil and military, will attend the funeral of the late Sir William Casement, assembling for this purpose at his residence in Fort William at half past 5 o'clock to-morrow morning.

P. MELVILL,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

48.

HIS MAJESTY MAHOMED AMJUD ALEE SHAH, King of Oudh. 13th February 1847.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 22nd February 1847.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Hon'ble the President of the Council of India in Council, having received the melancholy intelligence of the death, on the 13th instant, of His Majesty Mahomed Amjud Alee Shah, King of Oudh, has been pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of forty-nine, corresponding with the age of the late King, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William this day in the forenoon.

His Honor in Council having at the same time received a report from the Resident at Lucknow that the Prince Wujud Alee Shah, son of the late King, ascended the throne of Oudh on the 13th instant, has been pleased to direct that a salute of twenty-one guns be fired from the ramparts of Fort William this day at noon.

By Order of His Honor the President in Council,

G. A. BUSHBY,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

NOTE.—The Governor General, who was at this time in the Upper Provinces, also issued the following notification:

No. 420.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Camp Meerut, the 23rd February 1847.

THE Right Hon'ble the Governor General having received the melancholy intelligence of the death, on the 13th instant, of His Majesty Soorya Jah, late King of Oudh, is pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of forty-nine, corresponding with the age of the late King, be fired at this station this evening.

His Lordship having at the same time received a report from the Resident at Lucknow that the Prince Mirza Mahomed Wajid Alee Khan, eldest son of the late King, ascended the throne of Oudh on the 13th instant, is pleased to direct that a salute of twenty-one guns be fired by the artillery at Meerut at sun-rise to-morrow morning.

F. CURRIE,
Secy. to the Govt. of India,
with the Governor General.

49.

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN DOWAGER (QUEEN ADELAIDE), Consort of William IV. 2nd December 1849.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 85.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, Monday evening, the 4th February 1850.

NOTIFICATION.

OFFICIAL intelligence having been this day received from England, communicating the demise of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen Dowager, the Hon'ble the President in Council is pleased to direct that mourning be worn by the officers of Her Majesty's and of the Hon'ble Company's Civil, Military, and Marine Services belonging to the Presidency of Fort William.

The mourning is to commence at Calcutta on Thursday, the 7th instant, and is to be continued for a period of six weeks.

The President in Council requests that a similar mark of respect may, on this melancholy occasion, be observed by all other classes of British subjects residing within the Provinces subject to this Presidency.

Ordered, that the flag of Fort William be hoisted half mast high, and that minute guns, corresponding with the age of Her late Majesty, be fired at sun-rise to-morrow morning.

By Order of the Hon'ble the President in Council,

W. M. GREY,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

General Order by the Hon'ble the President of the Council of India in Council.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 4th February 1850.

No. 80 *of* 1850.—In publishing the following Notification from the Home Department, No. 85 of this date, of the demise of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen Dowager, the Hon'ble the President of the Council of India in Council is pleased to direct that, on receipt of it, the flag shall be hoisted half mast high, and fifty-seven minute guns, corresponding with the age of Her late Majesty, be fired at each of the principal garrisons and stations under this Presidency:

[Here follows the Notification.]

R. WYLLIE, *Major,*
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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50.

HON'BLE J. E. D. BETHUNE, Member of Council. 12th August 1851.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 662.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, Tuesday, the 12th August 1851.

THE Hon'ble John Elliot Drinkwater Bethune, Fourth Ordinary Member of the Supreme Council of India, died this afternoon at three o'clock at his house in Elysium Row, Chowringhee.

The President in Council notifies with the deepest regret this mournful event to the community of the Presidency, and requests that the officers of Government, civil and military, will attend the funeral of the late Mr. Bethune, assembling for this purpose at his residence at half past 5 o'clock to-morrow evening.

FRED. JAS. HALLIDAY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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51.

FIELD MARSHAL THE DUKE OF WELLINGTON. 14th September 1852.

General Order by the Most Noble the Governor General of India in Council.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 29th October 1852.

No. 656 *of* 1852.—With deep and heartfelt sorrow the Governor General of India in Council performs the duty of announcing to the army of India the death of Field Marshal the Duke of Wellington.

The Governor General in Council will not presume to pronounce his eulogy.

His splendid achievements, his exalted character, stand recorded for ever upon the page of history: and the pride of his fame lives, and will live to the last, in the hearts of all his countrymen.

The Governor General in Council desires that as these sad tidings shall reach each station of the Indian army, the British flag shall be lowered half mast high, and eighty-three minute guns shall be fired; that thus the sounds of public mourning for a great man lost may be heard throughout all the borders of India, upon whose fields the Duke of Wellington first commenced that glorious career, which now, full of age and honor, he has closed without a stain.

Her Majesty having been pleased to order the royal army into full mourning on this melancholy occasion, the Governor General in Council directs that the East India Company's forces shall assume mourning for the same period.

Officers are to wear black crape over the ornamental part of the cap or hat, the sword-knot, and on the left arm. Black crape is to be hung from the pikes of the color-staffs of infantry, and from the standards of cavalry.

R. J. H. BIRCH, *Lieut.-Col.,*
Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of India.

General Order by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

Camp Guddarree, near Rampore, the 8th November 1852.

No. 565 *of* 1852.—The Commander-in-Chief feels a mournful satisfaction while directing the promulgation of a General Order No. 656 of the 29th ultimo, issued by the Most Noble the Governor General in Council on receiving tidings of the deeply lamented death of Field Marshal the Duke of Wellington; fully impressed as he is with the desire which will have been felt by the whole body of the East India Company's military service to pay honor, in common with their brethren in arms of Her Majesty's forces, to the memory of the late illustrious chief, whose unrivalled career of victory was commenced on the soil, and in connection with the armies of India.

2. The Commander-in-Chief cannot refrain from at the same moment giving prominent expression to a passage extracted from the General Order issued under the Royal Mandate itself to Her Majesty's army on this great and solemn occasion, nor from invoking a like adhesion from the East India Company's forces to injunctions so

worthy of unfading commemoration and devoted observance by both armies:

"The discipline which he exacted from others, as the main foundation of the military character, he sternly imposed upon himself; and the Queen desires to impress upon the army that the greatest commander whom England ever saw has left an example for the imitation of every soldier, in taking, as his guiding principle in every relation of life, an energetic and unhesitating obedience to the call of duty.

W. M. GOMM, *General.*

By Order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,

H. T. TUCKER, *Lieut.-Col.,*
Adjutant General of the Army.

General Order by the Most Noble the Governor General of India in Council.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

The 19th November 1852.

No. 709 *of* 1852.—The following paragraphs of a Military letter No. 125, from the Hon'ble the Court of Directors, to the Governor of the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal, dated 29th September 1852, with annexment, are published for general information:

"We are desirous that your Government should publish in General Orders to the army the General Order dated Horse Guards, 22nd September 1852, of which a copy is enclosed, expressive of the sentiments of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen on the receipt of the intelligence of the death of Field Marshal the Duke of Wellington.

"2. In the sentiments of deep grief expressed by the Queen at the irreparable loss thus sustained by Her Majesty and the country, the Government of India and the forces of the East India Company will most fully participate."

General Orders.

Horse Guards, the 22nd September 1852.

No. 610 *of* 1852.—The Adjutant General has received Her Majesty's Most Gracious commands to issue the following General Order to the Army:

1. The Queen feels assured that the army will participate in the deep grief with which Her Majesty has received the intelligence of the irreparable loss sustained by herself and by the country in the sudden death of Field Marshal the Duke of Wellington.

In him Her Majesty has to deplore a firm supporter of Her Throne, a faithful, wise, and devoted councillor, and a valued and honored friend.

In him the army will lament the loss of a Commander-in-Chief unequalled for the brilliancy, the magnitude, and the success of his military achievements, but hardly less distinguished for the indefatigable and earnest zeal with which in time of peace he labored to

maintain the efficiency and promote the interests of that army which he had often led to victory.

The discipline which he exacted from others, as the main foundation of the military character, he sternly imposed upon himself; and the Queen desires to impress upon the army that the greatest commander whom England ever saw has left an example for the imitation of every soldier, in taking, as his guiding principle in every relation of life, an energetic and unhesitating obedience to the call of duty.

It is Her Majesty's command that this General Order shall be inserted in the Order Books, and read at the head of every regiment in Her Majesty's service.

2. The Queen does not require that the officers of the army should wear any other mourning with their uniforms on the present melancholy occasion than black crape over the ornamental part of the cap or hat, the sword-knot, and on the left arm, with the following exceptions, *viz.*:

Officers on duty are to wear black gloves, black crape over the ornamental part of the cap or hat, the sword-knot, and on the left arm, the sash covered with black crape and a black crape scarf over the right shoulder.

The drums of regiments are to be covered with black, and black crape is to be hung from the pike of the color-staff of infantry and from the standard staff and trumpets of cavalry.

3. The Queen has been most graciously pleased, under the present afflicting circumstances, to direct that Lieutenant-General Viscount Hardinge, G. C. B., shall be placed on the staff of Her Majesty's army, and that all matters respecting Her Majesty's Military Service, which have heretofore been transacted by His Grace the late Commander-in-Chief, shall henceforth be performed by Lieutenant-General Viscount Hardinge, G. C. B.

By Her Majesty's Command,

G. BROWN,
Adjutant General.

R. J. H. BIRCH, *Lieut.-Col.,*
Offg. Secretary. to the Govt. of India.

General Order by the Most Noble the Governor General of India in Council.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 8th January 1853.

No. 27 *of* 1853.—Intelligence having been received of the performance of the obsequies of the late Field Marshal the Duke of Wellington, the mourning worn in the army in honor of the illustrious deceased, as directed in Government General Order No. 656, dated the 29th of October 1852, will now be discontinued.

R. J. H. BIRCH, *Lieut.-Col.,*
Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of India.

52.

THE HON'BLE JAMES THOMASON, Lieutenant-Governor, North-Western Provinces. 27th September 1853.

No. 651.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 3rd October 1853.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Most Noble the Governor General of India in Council is deeply grieved to announce the decease of the Hon'ble James Thomason, the Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces.

The Lieutenant-Governor has long since earned for himself a name which ranks him high among the most distinguished servants of the Hon'ble East India Company.

Conspicuous ability, devotion to the public service, and a conscientious discharge of every duty, have marked each step of his honorable course; while his surpassing administrative capacity, his extended knowledge of affairs, his clear judgment, his benevolence of character and suavity of demeanour, have adorned and exalted the high position which he was wisely selected to fill.

The Governor General in Council deplores his loss with a sorrow deep and unfeigned,—with sorrow aggravated by the regret that his career should have been thus untimely closed when all had hoped that opportunities for extended usefulness were still before him, and that fresh honor might be added to his name.

The Most Noble the Governor General in Council directs that the flag should be lowered half mast high, and that seventeen minute guns shall be fired at the respective seats of Government in India so soon as the present notification shall have been there received.

By Order of the Governor General of India in Council,

GEO. PLOWDEN,
Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Despatch from the Court of Directors, to the Government of India,—No. 83 *(Public), dated the 7th December* 1853.

WE have received with the deepest grief the intelligence of the death of Mr. Thomason, Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces, whom we had only a fortnight before that event appointed Governor of the Presidency of Fort St. George.

2. Mr. Thomason had obtained distinction in the several stages of his official progress; and, as Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces during a period of nine years, he exhibited all the qualities of an accomplished and successful administrator. He omitted no research, and spared no pains, to make himself master of every subject that came before him, however minute, or however comprehensive. His decisions, founded on result so obtained, were clearly, concisely, and impressively delivered. We seldom dissented from his judgment, and never but with hesitation and reluctance. He inculcated and maintained discipline in the public service by the discernment with which he observed and rewarded merit, by a rare union of

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conciliation and firmness, by uniform kindness and courtesy to those below him, and by his own marked example of deference to superior authority. In his administration of the territorial revenue, an efficient watchfulness over the just interests of the State was always tempered by a benevolent care for the well-being of the agricultural community. We are persuaded that all classes who lived under his government, from the highest public servant to the cultivator of the soil, must participate in the sorrow which we feel for his loss.

We are, &c.,

RUSSELL ELLICE.
J. OLIPHANT.
C. MILLS.
J. L. LUSHINGTON.
R. JENKINS.
JOHN COTTON.
E. MACNAGHTEN.
ROSS D. MANGLES.
D. C. MARJORIBANKS.
J. H. ASTELL.
J. PETTY MUSPRATT.
J. MASTERMAN.
H. T. PRINSEP.
W. H. C. PLOWDEN.
W. B. BAYLEY.

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53.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL FREDERICK MACKESON, C. B. 14th September 1853.

No. 4251.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 3rd October 1853.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Most Noble the Governor General in Council, having discharged the painful duty of announcing the death of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces, is impelled, by a sense of the double loss which the State has at this time sustained, to depart from ordinary course in order that he may further bear a public testimony to the merits and character of the gallant soldier who has lately fallen by an assassin's hand.

The reputation of Lieutenant-Colonel Mackeson as a soldier is known to and honored by all. His value as a political servant of the State is known to none better than to the Governor General himself, who in a difficult and eventful time had cause to mark his great ability and the admirable prudence, discretion, and temper which added tenfold value to the high soldierly qualities of his public character.

The loss of Colonel Mackeson's life would have dimmed a victory. To lose him thus by the hand of a foul assassin is a misfortune of the heaviest gloom for the Government, which counted him amongst its bravest and best.

By Order of the Governor General of India in Council,

J. P. GRANT,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

54.

His Highness Maharaja Raghojee Bhonsla, of Nagpore. 11th December 1853.

No. 5408.

Foreign Department.

Fort William, the 23rd December 1853.

NOTIFICATION.

The Hon'ble the President of the Council of India in Council, having received official intelligence of the death, on the 11th instant, of His Highness Maharaja Raghojee Bhonsla, of Nagpore, is pleased to direct that minute guns to the number of forty-seven, corresponding with the age of the late Maharaja, be fired from the ramparts of Fort William.

J. W. DALRYMPLE,
Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

55.

MAJOR-GENERAL W. N. FORBES, Mint Master, Calcutta. 1st May 1855.

No. 47.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 21st August 1858.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Hon'ble the President of the Council of India in Council has been pleased to direct the publication of the following extract (paragraph 16) of a despatch from the Hon'ble the Court of Directors, in the Financial Department, No. 50 of 1858, dated 22nd June :

Para. 16. We cannot close these remarks without expressing our sense of the great zeal and efficiency displayed by the late Major-General Forbes in conducting for a long series of years the important and responsible duties which devolved upon him as Master of the Calcutta Mint, and our regret at the great loss which the public service sustained by his death.

C. HUGH LUSHINGTON,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

56.

His Excellency General the Hon'ble George Anson, Commander-in-Chief in India. 27th May 1857.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

General Order by the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council.

Military Department.

Fort William, Friday, the 5th June 1857.

No. 755 *of* 1857.—With deep sorrow the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council discharges the painful duty of announcing to the army of India the death of His Excellency General the Hon'ble George Anson, Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's and the Honorable Company's Forces in India.

This sad event took place on the 27th ultimo, at Umballa, after a short illness.

In General Anson the army of India has lost a commander than whom none was ever more earnest and indefatigable in laboring to improve the condition, extend the comforts, and increase the efficiency of every branch of the service committed to his charge.

To the Crown and the Hon'ble East India Company whom he has served so zealously, as well as to the troops who have been his unceasing care, General Anson's untimely end in the midst of arduous duties will, the Governor General in Council feels assured, be a source of the sincerest grief.

The Governor General in Council directs that, as a mark of respect to the late Commander-in-Chief, the flag of the Fort shall to-morrow be hoisted half mast high, and that seventeen minute guns, according with the rank which he held, shall be fired from the Fort.

The same honors are to be paid to the memory of General Anson at each of the principal military stations in India on receipt of this order.

The Governor General in Council further directs that the officers of Her Majesty's and the Hon'ble Company's army shall wear mourning for fourteen days from the day on which this order is received at their respective stations.

R. J. H. BIRCH, *Lieut-Col.,*
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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57.

THE HON'BLE JOHN RUSSELL COLVIN, Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces. 9th September 1857.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 1903.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 19th September 1857.

NOTIFICATION.

IT is the melancholy duty of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council to announce the death of the Hon'ble John Russell Colvin, the Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces.

Worn by the unceasing anxieties and labors of his charge, which placed him in the very front of the dangers by which of late India has been threatened, health and strength gave way, and the Governor General in Council has to deplore with sincere grief the loss of one of the most distinguished amongst the servants of the East India Company.

The death of Mr. Colvin has occurred at a time when his ripe experience, his high ability, and his untiring energy, would have been more than usually valuable to the State.

But his career did not close before he had won for himself a high reputation in each of the various branches of administration to which he was at different times attached, nor until he had been worthily selected to fill the highest position in Northern India, and he leaves a name which not friends alone but all who have been associated with him in the duties of Government, and all who may follow in his path, will delight to honor.

The Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council directs that the flag shall be lowered half mast high, and that seventeen minute guns shall be fired at the seats of Government in India upon the receipt of the present notification.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council.

CECIL BEADON,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Extract paragraphs 1 *and* 2 *of a despatch from the Court of Directors, to the Government of India,—No.* 147 *(Public), dated the* 18*th November* 1857.

PARA. 1. Your letter dated 19th September (No. 109) 1857 reports the death of Mr. Colvin, Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces, and the temporary arrangement made for the conduct of affairs in the North-Western Provinces under existing circumstances.

2. We fully sympathise with the feelings of deep sorrow expressed by you for the loss of Mr. Colvin. The high character which that distinguished public officer had earned by long previous service has been confirmed and enhanced by the manner in which he has conducted the administration of the North-Western Provinces, and it is greatly to be lamented that his untimely death has deprived the country of his services at the time when as you remark "his ripe experience, his high ability, and his untiring energy would have been more than usually valuable to the State."

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58.

BRIGADIER-GENERAL SIR HENRY LAWRENCE, K. C. B., Chief Commissioner of Oudh, and in command of the Oudh Field Force. 4th July 1857.

No 3813.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 19th September 1857.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council, having appointed a successor to the late Sir Henry Lawrence, K. C. B., in the post of Chief Commissioner of Oudh, desires to take the opportunity of testifying publicly in this form, as he has already testified in addressing the Hon'ble Court of Directors, the deep sorrow with which he laments the loss of that eminent man.

In the course of a service extending over thirty-five years in Burmah, in Afghanistan, in Nepal, in the Punjab, and in Rajpootana, Sir Henry Lawrence was distinguished for high ability, devoted zeal, and generous and self-denying exertions for the welfare of those around him. As a soldier, an administrator, and a statesman, he has earned a reputation amongst the foremost.

Impressed with a sense of his great qualifications, the Governor General in Council selected him to be Chief Commissioner in Oudh. In that position, from the first appearance of disaffection amongst the troops quartered in the Province, his conduct was marked by foresight, calm judgment, and courage; and if anything could have averted the calamitous outbreak which has been followed by the temporary subversion of British authority in Oudh, the measures which were taken by Sir Henry Lawrence, and the confidence which all men, high and low, European and Native, felt in his energy, his wisdom, and his spirit of justice and kindliness, would have accomplished that end. As long as there was any hope of restraining the wavering soldiery by appeals to their sense of duty and honor, he left no becoming means untried to conciliate them. When violent and open mutiny called for stern retribution, he did not shrink from the (to him) uncongenial task of inflicting severe punishment. When general disorder and armed rebellion threatened, he was undaunted, and the precautionary preparations which, from the beginning, he had had in view, were carried out rapidly and effectually.

He has been prematurely removed from the scene, but it is due mainly to his exertions, judgment, and skill, that the garrison of Lucknow has been able to defy the assaults of its assailants, and still maintains its ground.

The loss of such a man in the present circumstances of India is, indeed, a heavy public calamity. The Governor General in Council deplores it deeply, and desires to place on record his appreciation of the eminent services, his admiration of the high character, and his affectionate respect for the memory of Sir Henry Lawrence.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

G. F. EDMONSTONE,

Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Extract from the General Order of the Governor General in Council in the Military Department, No. 1543, *dated Fort William, 8th December* 1857, *on* BRIGADIER INGLIS'S *Report on the Defence of the Residency of Lucknow.*

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Amongst those who have nobly perished in this protracted struggle, Sir Henry Lawrence will occupy the first place in the thoughts of his fellow-countrymen. The Governor General in Council has already given expression to the deep sorrow with which he mourns the loss of that distinguished man. But the name of Sir Henry Lawrence can never rise up without calling forth a tribute of honor and admiration from all who knew him.

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R. J. H. BIRCH, *Colonel,*
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

59.

BRIGADIER-GENERAL JAMES GEORGE NEILL, 1st Madras Fusiliers.
25th September 1857.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 1238.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, Friday, the 2nd October 1857.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Governor General in Council rejoices to announce that information has been this day received from Major-General Sir James Outram, G. C. B., showing that the Residency at Lucknow was in the possession of Major-General Havelock's force on the 25th ultimo, and that the garrison is saved.

Rarely has a commander been so fortunate as to relieve by his success so many aching hearts, or to reap so rich a reward of gratitude as will deservedly be offered to Major-General Havelock and his gallant band wherever their triumph shall become known.

The Governor General in Council tenders to Sir James Outram and to Major-General Havelock his earnest thanks and congratulations upon the joyful result of which a merciful Providence has made them the chief instruments.

The Governor General in Council forbears to observe further upon information which is necessarily imperfect, but he cannot refrain from expressing the deep regret with which he hears of the death of Brigadier-General Neill, of the 1st Madras European Fusiliers, of which it is to be feared that no doubt exists.

Brigadier-General Neill, during his short but active career in Bengal, had won the respect and confidence of the Government of India; he had made himself conspicuous as an intelligent, prompt, self-reliant soldier, ready of resource and stout of heart; and the Governor General in Council offers to the Government and to the Army of Madras his sincere condolence upon the loss of one who was an honor to the service of their Presidency.

By Order of the Governor General of India in Council,

R. J. H. BIRCH, *Colonel,*
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

60.

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR HENRY HAVELOCK, K. C. B. 25th November 1857.

Extract from the General Order of the Governor General in Council in the Military Department, No. 1543, *dated Fort William, the* 8*th December* 1857, *on* BRIGADIER INGLIS'S *report on the defence of the Residency of Lucknow.*

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The history of the defence of the Residency of Lucknow does not end with the narrative of Brigadier Inglis. But no full reports of the course of events at Lucknow subsequently to the junction of Sir Henry Havelock's force with the defender's have yet been received. It is known, however, that the success which has carried joy to so many aching hearts has been clouded by the death, within the last few days, of one of the first soldiers of India, Major-General Sir Henry Havelock.

The Governor General in Council deeply deplores the loss of this able leader and truly brave man, who has been taken from the service of his country at a time when he can least be spared, though not before he had won for himself lasting renown, and had received at the hands of his Sovereign the gracious and prompt recognition of his merits.

R. J. H. BIRCH, *Colonel,*
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

General Order by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

Head Quarters Camp Cawnpore, the 17*th December* 1857.

THE Governor General in Council has expressed his deep feelings of grief at the demise of the late lamented Major-General Sir Henry Havelock, K. C. B., who died a martyr to duty two days after he had left the Residency of Lucknow.

2. The Commander-in-Chief would fain join in that expression of heart-felt sorrow.

3. During a long Indian career, the late Major-General was ever distinguished. The campaigns of Burmah, of Afghanistan, of Gwalior, of the Sutledge, and, lastly, of this eventful year, testify to his constant presence wherever hard service was to be done and honor was to be gained.

4. But his march of this year from Allahabad to Cawnpore, his frequent victories gained over immensely superior numbers, when he was nearly without artillery and cavalry, and almost destitute of the means of feeding his troops, under the sun of July and August, with cholera and fever in his camp—concluded as it was by the onslaught on, and forced entrance into, Lucknow—have established a renown which will last as long as the History of England.

5. Such is the glorious heritage he leaves to his children.

6. Such a life and such a death leave recollections pregnant with the brightest example to the armies of Her Majesty the Queen and of the Honorable Company.

By Order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,

W. MAYHEW, *Major,*
Deputy Adjutant General of the Army.

61.

RIGHT REVEREND DANIEL WILSON, D. D., Lord Bishop of Calcutta. 2nd January 1858.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRORDINARY.

No. 1.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 2nd January 1858.

NOTIFICATION.

WITH deep sorrow the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council publicly notifies the death this morning of the Right Reverend DANIEL WILSON, Lord Bishop of Calcutta.

After a career of pious Christian usefulness as Metropolitan, extending through a quarter of a century, marked by a zeal which age could not chill, and by an open-handed charity and liberality which have rarely been equalled, this venerable prelate has closed his long life, leaving a name to be remembered and honored throughout British India.

The Governor General in Council requests that the principal officers of Government, civil and military, and all who may desire to take this opportunity to mark their respect for the memory of the deceased Bishop, will attend the sad ceremony of his interment.

The flag of Fort William will be hoisted half mast high at sunrise on the morning of Monday, the 4th of January, which will be the day of the funeral.

By Command of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

CECIL BEADON,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, to the Venerable J. H. PRATT, *Archdeacon of Calcutta,—No.* 3, *dated the 2nd January* 1858.

VEN'BLE SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date, and to express the deep concern with which the Governor General in Council has learned the melancholy intelligence which it contains of the demise of the Lord Bishop of Calcutta.

2. I am desired to enclose, for your information, a copy of the notification which will this day be published by order of the Government.

I have, &c.,

CECIL BEADON,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

No. 4.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 2nd January 1858.

NOTIFICATION.

IN consequence of the demise of the Right Reverend Daniel Wilson, the late Lord Bishop of Calcutta, the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council is pleased to direct that the following

extract from the Letters Patent of the 1st October 1837 be published for general information:

> "And we further will that during a vacancy of the said See of Calcutta by the demise of the Bishop thereof for the time being or otherwise, the episcopal jurisdiction and functions appertaining to the said See shall be exercised by such one of the Suffragan Bishops of Madras and Bombay for the time being as shall have been first consecrated."

The said episcopal jurisdiction and functions will accordingly be exercised by the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Madras.

CECIL BEADON,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, to the Right Reverend T. DEALTRY, D. D., *Lord Bishop of Madras,—No.* 4, *dated the 2nd January* 1858.

MY LORD,—I have the honor, by direction of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council, to forward, for Your Lordship's information, copy of a letter of this date from the Archdeacon of Calcutta, reporting the death of the late Lord Bishop of Calcutta, and of my reply, and of the notification therein referred to.

2. I am also directed to transmit, for Your Lordship's information, copy of a second notification published in the *Calcutta Gazette*, announcing that the episcopal functions and jurisdiction appertaining to the See of Calcutta have devolved upon Your Lordship.

3. I am also instructed to state that Your Lordship is authorised to draw the established allowances of the Bishop of Calcutta, instead of those of the Bishop of Madras, from this date, subject to the sanction of the Hon'ble Court of Directors.

I have, &c.,
CECIL BEADON,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

FORWARDED to the Financial Department for registry.

Copy forwarded to the Ven'ble Archdeacon of Calcutta for information.

A telegraphic message was despatched on the 2nd January 1858 to the Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George, announcing the death of the Bishop of Calcutta, and stating that, under the Letters Patent, the Bishop of Madras will exercise the episcopal functions of the See of Calcutta.

Despatch from the Government of India, to the Hon'ble the Court of Directors,—No. 1 *(Ecclesiastical), dated the 5th January* 1858.

HON'BLE SIRS,—It is our painful duty to apprise your Hon'ble Court of the demise, on the 2nd instant, of the Right Reverend Daniel Wilson, Lord Bishop of Calcutta and Metropolitan in India, in the eightieth year of his age and the twenty-sixth of his episcopate.

2. This melancholy event was announced to us by the Ven'ble the Archdeacon of Calcutta in a letter, a copy of which we have the honor to enclose, together with transcripts of two notifications published under our authority in the *Government Gazette*,—the one announcing to the community the decease of the Bishop, the other

promulgating an extract from Her Majesty's Letters Patent of the 1st October 1837, under which the episcopal functions and jurisdiction appertaining to the See of Calcutta have devolved upon the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Madras, as the senior consecrated Bishop in India.

3. We have authorised the Bishop of Madras to draw the established allowances of the Bishop of Calcutta, instead of those of his own Bishopric, subject to the sanction of your Hon'ble Court.

We have, &c.,

CANNING.
J. DORIN.
J. LOW.
B. PEACOCK.

Despatch from the Hon'ble the Court of Directors, to the Governor General of India in Council,—No. 2 (Ecclesiastical), dated the 18th March 1858.

My Lord,—We have learnt with great regret the death of the Ven'ble Bishop of Calcutta, who for twenty-five years has discharged the duties of his high office with such eminent zeal, ability, and devotedness.

2. We sanction the grant to the Bishop of Madras of the full allowances of the Bishop of Calcutta, instead of those of his own office, during the vacancy of the See of Calcutta.

We have, &c.,

ROSS D. MANGLES.	W. J. EASTWICK.
F. CURRIE.	E. MACNAGHTEN.
C. MILLS.	J. H. ASTELL.
R. ELLICE.	J. P. WILLOUGHBY.
M. T. SMITH.	W. B. BAYLEY.

NOTE.—The Right Reverend G. E. L. Cotton, D. D., was appointed by Her Majesty's Letters Patent, dated Westminster, 10th May 1858, to succeed the late Bishop Wilson in the See of Calcutta. Bishop Cotton reported his arrival in Calcutta on the 12th November 1858, and was installed in St. Paul's Cathedral on Sunday, the 14th. The following notification was issued on the 15th:

No. 2519.

Home Department.

Fort William, the 15th November 1858.

NOTIFICATION.

The Hon'ble the President in Council hereby notifies, for general information, that under Letters Patent, dated at Westminster, the 10th day of May 1858, Her Majesty has been pleased to nominate and appoint the Reverend George Edward Lynch Cotton, D. D., to be Bishop of the See and Diocese of Calcutta and Metropolitan Bishop in India and the Island of Ceylon.

CECIL BEADON,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

And on the 24th of the same month the following letter was written to the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Madras, No. 1779:

My Lord,—With reference to my letter No. 4, dated the 2nd January last, I am directed to inform you that the Right Reverend George Edward Lynch Cotton, D. D., nominated and appointed under Letters Patent from Her Majesty the Queen to be Bishop of the See and Diocese of Calcutta and Metropolitan Bishop in India and the Island of Ceylon, arrived at Calcutta on the 12th instant, and that the allowances attached to the office of Lord Bishop of Calcutta will, therefore, be passed to Dr. Cotton from that date.

I have, &c.,

CECIL BEADON,

Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Forwarded to the Financial Department for information, in continuation of endorsement No. 53, dated the 2nd January last.

CECIL BEADON,

Secretary to the Govt. of India.

62.

CAPTAIN SIR WILLIAM PEEL, K. C. B., Commanding Her Majesty's Ship *Shannon* and the Naval Brigade in the North-Western Provinces. 27th April 1858.

No. 109.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Allahabad, the 30th April 1858.

IT is the melancholy duty of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General to announce the death of that most distinguished officer, Captain Sir William Peel, K. C. B., late in command of Her Majesty's Ship *Shannon* and of the Naval Brigade in the North-Western Provinces.

Sir William Peel died at Cawnpore on the 27th instant of small-pox. He had been wounded at the commencement of the last advance upon Lucknow, but had nearly recovered from the wound, and was on his way to Calcutta, when struck by the disease which has brought his honorable career to an early close.

Sir William Peel's services in the field during the last seven months are well known in India and in England. But it is not so well known how great the value of his presence and example has been wherever, during this eventful period, his duty had led him.

The loss of his daring but thoughtful courage, joined with eminent abilities, is a very heavy one to his country; but it is not more to be deplored than the loss of that influence which his earnest character, admirable temper, and gentle kindly bearing exercised over all within his reach,—an influence which was exerted unceasingly for the public good, and of which the Governor General believes that it may with truth be said that there is not a man of any rank or profession who, having been associated with Sir William Peel in these times of anxiety and danger, has not felt and acknowledged it.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India,

G. F. EDMONSTONE,
Secretary to the Government of India, with the Governor General.

Despatch from the Court of Directors to the Government of India,—No. 98 *(Public), dated the* 21*st July* 1858.

WITH the Governor General's letter dated 9th May (No. 13) 1858 we have received a copy of the Notification issued by His Lordship on the occasion of the death of Captain Sir W. Peel, K. C. B., late in command of Her Majesty's Ship *Shannon* and of the Naval Brigade in the North-Western Provinces.

2. We cordially participate with the Governor General in his admiration of the high qualities evinced by Sir W. Peel, and of the eminent services rendered by that distinguished officer from the hour in which he landed from his ship in command of the Naval Brigade which took so conspicuous a part in the military operations in the North-Western Provinces to that in which he closed his brilliant career on the 27th April last under an attack of malignant disease at Cawnpore.

3. We deeply deplore the heavy loss which his country has sustained in the early death of Sir W. Peel, and we entirely approve of the course pursued by the Governor General in notifying, in the most public manner, the sense entertained by His Lordship of that officer's services to the State during the period of his active employment in the field against the enemies of the British Government in India.

4. We desire that a monument with a suitable inscription may be erected over the remains of Sir W. Peel at the public expense.

We are, &c.,

F. CURRIE.	J. H. ASTELL.
W. J. EASTWICK.	E. MACNAGHTEN.
C. MILLS.	ROSS D. MANGLES.
R. ELLICE.	R. J. H. VIVIAN.
J. W. HOGG.	G. POLLOCK.

63.

SIR HENRY GEORGE WARD, KT., G. C. M. G., Governor of Fort St. George. 2nd August 1860.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, Saturday, the 4th August 1860.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Governor General in Council has received with the deepest regret, from Madras, the melancholy intelligence of the sudden death, on the 2nd instant, of His Excellency SIR HENRY GEORGE WARD, KT., G. C. M. G., recently appointed by Her Majesty to be Governor of that Presidency.

As a mark of respect for the memory of this most eminent public servant, His Excellency in Council has directed that seventeen minute guns be fired from the ramparts of Fort William at noon to-day, and that the Fort flag be lowered to half mast high.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council,

W. GREY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

NOTE.—On the occasion of the death of Sir Henry Ward, the Government of India authorised the Madras Government to defray the expense of a passage to England for Lady Ward and family.

These proceedings having been reported to Her Majesty's Secretary of State in despatch No. 82, dated the 6th August 1860, Sir Charles Wood replied as follows:

Public.
No. 115.

INDIA OFFICE;
London, the 20th September 1860.

To His Excellency the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council.

MY LORD,—I have received in Council the copy of a Notification in the *Calcutta Gazette Extraordinary* issued by you on the 4th ultimo, announcing to the public the melancholy intelligence of the death of Sir Henry Ward, Governor of the Presidency of Madras, by whose untimely decease Her Majesty's Government have lost a faithful and valued servant, whose previous career had well fitted him for the difficult post to which Her Majesty had so lately nominated him. Your orders on that mournful occasion, including the authority you passed to the Government of Madras to defray the expense of a passage to England for Lady Ward and family, have my entire approval.

I have, &c.,
C. WOOD.

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64.

THE RIGHT HON'BLE JAMES WILSON, Member of the Council of the Governor General. 11th August 1860.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, Sunday, the 12th August 1860.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Right Hon'ble James Wilson, Fourth Ordinary Member of the Council of the Governor General, died yesterday at seven o'clock in the evening.

The Governor General in Council notifies to the community with the deepest regret this mournful event and great public calamity, and requests that the officers of Government, civil and military, will attend the funeral of the late Mr. Wilson, assembling for this purpose at No. 9, Middleton Street, at half past five o'clock this evening.

His Excellency in Council has directed the flag of Fort William to be lowered to half mast high during this day, and that fifteen minute guns be fired at the time of the funeral from the ramparts of Fort William.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council,

W. GREY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Despatch from the Government of India, to Her Majesty's Secretary of State,—No. 89 (*Public*), *dated the* 13*th August* 1860.

SIR,—The painful task is imposed upon us of announcing to Her Majesty's Government the death of our colleague, the Right Hon'ble James Wilson.

2. This lamentable event took place on the evening of Saturday, the 11th, after an illness of a few days.

3. We enclose a copy of the notification by which we yesterday communicated the mournful intelligence to the public. The funeral took place at the time mentioned in the notification, and the great respect in which our lamented colleague was held was evinced by a very large attendance of the general community, in addition to that of the public officers, civil and military.

4. We are unable adequately to express our sense of the great loss which the public interests have sustained in Mr. Wilson's death. We do not doubt, however, that this will be as fully appreciated by Her Majesty's Government as it is by ourselves, and as we have every reason to believe that it will be by the community generally throughout India.

5. But we should not satisfy our feelings in communicating this sad occurrence to Her Majesty's Government if we did not state our belief that the fatal disease which has removed Mr. Wilson from among us was, in a great degree, the consequence of his laborious application to the duties of his high position, and of his conscientious determination not to cease from the prosecution of the important

measures of which he had charge until their success was ensured. Actuated by a self-denying devotion to the objects for which he came out to this country, Mr. Wilson continued to labor indefatigably long after the general state of his health had become such as to cause anxiety to the physician who attended him, and it was within a few days only after the Income Tax Act had become law, and when at the earnest request of his medical adviser he was preparing to remove from Calcutta for the remainder of the rainy season, that he was seized with the illness which has carried him off.

6. It is our sincere conviction that this eminent public servant sacrificed his life in the faithful and conscientious discharge of his duty.

We have, &c.,

CANNING.
H. B. E. FRERE.
C. BEADON.

Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State, to the Government of India,—No. 124 (*Public*), *dated the* 17*th October* 1860.

My Lord,—The melancholy intelligence of the death of the Right Hon'ble James Wilson, communicated in your letter dated 13th August (No. 89) 1860, was received by Her Majesty's Government with profound sorrow and regret.

2. The opinion entertained by Her Majesty's Government of Mr. Wilson's eminent qualifications was sufficiently evinced by his selection for the high and responsible position which he has recently filled in your Government. They fully participate in the sentiments which you have expressed as to the great public loss which has been sustained by his death, and they desire to record their high sense of that zealous and unflinching devotion to his public duties which was manifested by Mr. Wilson during his brief tenure of office in India, and which has unhappily been followed by so lamentable a result.

I have, &c.,

C. WOOD.

65.

HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUCHESS OF KENT. 16th March 1861.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 815.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, Friday, the 26th April 1861.

NOTIFICATION.

OFFICIAL intelligence having been this day received from England communicating the demise of Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Kent, His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor General of India in Council is pleased to direct that mourning be worn by the officers of Her Majesty's Civil, Military, and Marine Services belonging to the Presidency of Fort William.

The mourning is to commence at Calcutta on Monday, the 29th instant, and is to be continued for a period of four weeks.

The Governor General in Council requests that a similar mark of respect may, on this melancholy occasion, be observed by all other classes of British subjects residing within the Provinces subject to this Presidency.

The flag of Fort William will be hoisted half mast high to-morrow from sun-rise to sun-set.

By Order of the Governor General in Council,

W. GREY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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66.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE ALBERT (PRINCE CONSORT). 14th December 1861.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 391.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, Tuesday, the 21st January 1862.

NOTIFICATION.

OFFICIAL intelligence having been received of the demise of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, the Governor General in Council directs that, in conformity with notice issued to Her Majesty's subjects in England, the officers of Her Majesty's Civil, Military, and Marine Services do put themselves into decent mourning.

The Governor General in Council requests that a similar mark of respect may, on this melancholy occasion, be observed by all other classes of British subjects residing within the Provinces subject to this Presidency.

The Governor General directs that the flag of Fort William shall be hoisted half mast high from sun-rise to-morrow, and that it shall continue to be so hoisted until further orders.

W. GREY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 498.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, Monday, the 27th January 1862.

NOTIFICATION.

IN continuation of the notification issued on receipt of the intelligence of the death of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, by which it was ordered that the flag of Fort William should be hoisted half mast high from sun-rise of the 22nd instant, His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor General now directs that the flag shall continue to be hoisted half mast high until the evening of the 28th instant. On that day sixty minute guns will be fired from the Fort; the last gun to be fired and the flag to be dropped as the sun sets.

W. GREY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 765.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, Monday, the 10th February 1862.

NOTIFICATION.

IN reference to the order which appeared in the *Calcutta Gazette* of the 21st of January, directing that the officers of Her Majesty's

Civil, Military, and Marine Services should wear mourning for His late Royal Highness the Prince Consort, and requesting that a similar mark of respect might be paid by all other classes of British subjects, notice is hereby given that it is not expected that mourning should be worn after Monday, the 17th of March.

By Order of the Governor General in Council,

W. GREY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

General Orders by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

Head Quarters Camp Gukkur, the 22nd February 1862.

In re-publishing the following Horse Guards General Order, His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief notifies, for information and guidance, that the mourning already prescribed for the army of this Presidency, in consequence of the death of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, shall cease to be worn after the 17th proximo.

By Order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,

E. B. JOHNSON, *Lieut.-Colonel,*
Offg. Adjutant General of the Army.

GENERAL ORDER.

No. 800.

Horse Guards, S. W., dated the 18th December 1861.

Orders for the mourning for the Army for His Royal Highness the Prince Consort.

The General Commanding-in-Chief has received Her Majesty's commands to direct, on the present melancholy occasion of the death of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, that the officers of the army be required to wear, when in uniform, black crape over the ornamental part of the cap or hat, over the sword-knot, and on the left arm, with black gloves, and a black crape scarf over the sash.

The drums are to be covered with black, and black crape is to be hung from the head of the color staff of the infantry, and from the standard staff of cavalry.

When officers appear at Court in their uniforms, they are to wear black crape over the ornamental part of the cap or hat, over the sword-knot, and on the left arm, with black gloves, and a black crape scarf over the sash.

By Command of His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, General Commanding-in-Chief,

JAMES YORKE SCARLETT,
Adjutant General.

General Orders by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

Head Quarters Camp Khunna, the 14th March 1862.

In continuation of General Order dated 22nd ultimo, the Commander-in-Chief directs that for three weeks, after the 17th instant,

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the date on which full mourning for His late Royal Highness the Prince Consort is to be discontinued, the officers of the army will wear ordinary mourning with their uniform, that is, a piece of black crape round the left arm.

By Order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,

E. B. JOHNSON, *Lieut.-Colonel,*
Offg. Adjutant General of the Army.

67.

THE HON'BLE W. RITCHIE, Member of Council. 22nd March 1862.

No. 1527.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 22nd March 1862.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Hon'ble William Ritchie, Fifth Ordinary Member of the Council of the Governor General, died this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The Governor General in Council notifies this mournful event to the community with the deepest regret, and he requests that the officers of Government, civil and military, will attend the funeral of the late Mr. Ritchie, assembling for this purpose at his residence on the Esplanade at 5 o'clock to-morrow evening.

His Excellency in Council has directed the flag of Fort William to be lowered to half mast high during the whole of to-morrow, and fifteen minute guns to be fired at the time of the funeral from the ramparts of Fort William.

W. GREY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Despatch from the Government of India, to Her Majesty's Secretary of State,—No. 26 *(Public), dated the* 25*th March* 1862.

SIR,—It is our painful duty to report the death of our colleague the Hon'ble William Ritchie, which occurred on Saturday afternoon, the 22nd instant.

2. We enclose a copy of the notification which communicated this mournful event to the public. The funeral took place at the time mentioned in the notification, and the high respect in which our lamented colleague was held was evinced by a very large attendance of the general community, in addition to that of the public officers, civil and military.

We have, &c.,
ELGIN & KINCARDINE.
H. B. E. FRERE.
CECIL BEADON.
R. NAPIER.
S. LAING.

Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State, to the Government of India,—No. 43 *(Public), dated the* 15*th May* 1862.

MY LORD,—In acknowledging the receipt of your letter dated 25th March (No. 26) 1862, announcing the death of your late colleague Mr. William Ritchie, I have to express my entire concurrence in the feelings of deep regret with which the melancholy event is regarded by your Government.

I have, &c.,
C. WOOD.

68.

THE RIGHT HON'BLE EARL CANNING, late Viceroy and Governor General of India. 17th June 1862.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, Friday, the 11th July 1862.

THE GovernorGeneral in Council has received with profound regret the intelligence of the decease of Earl Canning, Her Majesty's late Governor General and Viceroy of India, which melancholy event took place in England on the 17th of June.

His Excellency in Council feels convinced that the whole community of this country will unite with him in deploring the untimely death of this eminent statesman, whose life, although he survived to quit these shores, has but too surely fallen a sacrifice to his devotion to the interests of India.

All will be sensible of the greatness of the loss which India sustains in the removal of one whose ripe knowledge and experience so well fitted him to give valuable counsel and assistance to Her Majesty's Government and Parliament on questions affecting the welfare of this great country.

The Governor General in Council directs that the flag of Fort William shall be lowered to half mast high during this day, and that twenty-one minute guns be fired at sun-set from the Fort, the last gun to be fired and the flag to be dropped as the sun sets.

His Excellency in Council also directs that the same marks of respect shall be shown at the other seats of Government in India.

By Order of the Governor General in Council,

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

No. 1234.

Head Quarters Rampore Beauliah, the 13th July 1862.

NOTIFICATION.

IN accordance with the orders of the Governor General in Council, dated the 11th instant, the Lieutenant-Governor directs that the flag of the *Rhotas** be lowered to half mast high during this day as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Earl Canning.

J. D. GORDON,
Offg. Junior Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

* The Lieutenant-Governor's yacht.

69.

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR JAMES OUTRAM, BART., G. C. B., late Member of the Council of the Governor General of India. 11th March 1863.

No. 219.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT (POLITICAL).

Simla, the 2nd May 1863.

NOTIFICATION.

IN publishing, for general information, the following despatch from the Secretary of State, the Governor General desires to express the sincere, though melancholy, gratification which he has derived from the perusal of its contents.

The generous and noble character of the late Sir James Outram, his devotion to duty, and his brilliant services, both civil and military, won for him the admiration and esteem both of the Government and of the people of India. The Governor General feels assured that, while deploring the loss which the nation has sustained in his death, the members of both services, and the Indian community generally, will appreciate the high tribute which has been paid to his memory by the Government of the Queen.

Political.
No. 25.

INDIA OFFICE;
London, the 30th March 1863.

To His Excellency the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council.

MY LORD,—Your Lordship will have learnt from the public papers that death has deprived the Government of India of one of the most distinguished of its servants in the person of Sir James Outram, and you will, I feel assured, have regarded the demise of this gallant officer with the same strong feelings of regret as I have myself experienced in common with all my colleagues in the Council of India.

2. I have now to communicate to Your Excellency that as a mark of our high appreciation of the eminent services which, on many fields, and in many political and military capacities, Sir James Outram rendered to his country, of the distinguished purity and disinterestedness of his conduct, and of the devotion which he at all times evinced, both to the service of the State and to the advancement of the welfare of the people of India, we have seen his remains laid in the grave in Westminster Abbey with befitting solemnity and respect, and defrayed the expense of the funeral from public funds.

3. From the honors thus bestowed by the Government and the reverence paid by all classes of the community to an officer who, by his own unaided exertions, raised himself to the highest posts under your Government, the members of the public services in India will learn that duty done in that country is not watched less earnestly, or appreciated less cordially, in England, for the distance at which it is performed.

I have, &c.,
C. WOOD.

By Order of His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor General of India,

H. M. DURAND, *Colonel,*
Secretary to the Govt. of India,
with the Governor General.

70.

THE RIGHT HON'BLE THE EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Viceroy and Governor General of India. 20th November 1863.

CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 21st November 1863.

PROCLAMATION.

WITH the deepest sorrow the President in Council announces the death of the Right Hon'ble James, Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, K. T., G. C. B., and G. M. S. I., Her Majesty's Viceroy and Governor General of India. This great public calamity occurred yesterday, the 20th instant, at Dhurmsala, in the Kangra Valley.

The President in Council directs that the flag at Fort William shall be hoisted half mast high from sun-rise to-morrow, and that it shall continue to be so hoisted until the evening of the 28th instant. On that day fifty-two minute guns will be fired from the Fort: the last gun to be fired and the flag to be dropped as the sun sets.

Similar marks of respect will be paid at the respective seats of Government, and at all the principal military stations in India.

The President in Council directs that all the officers of Her Majesty's Civil, Military, and Marine Services do put themselves into mourning for a period of one month; and the President in Council invites all classes of Her Majesty's subjects in India to join in this token of respect for the memory of the Statesman who has thus been prematurely lost to his Sovereign, whom he had served for many years and in many countries with distinguished zeal, wisdom, and success; and to the people of India, whose happiness and prosperity he had constantly and earnestly at heart.

By Order of the President in Council,

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

COPY of the above communicated to the Government of Bengal.

Copy forwarded by telegram to—

The Secretary to the Government of the North-Western Provinces.
The Secretary to the Government of the Punjab.
The Government of Bombay.
The Government of Madras.
The Military Secretary to the Commander-in-Chief.
The Chief Commissioner of Oudh.
The Governor General's Agent, Rajpootana.
The Governor General's Agent, Central India.
The Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces.
The Resident at Hyderabad.
The Resident at Nepaul (through the Commissioner of Patna).

Nos. 7246 and 7247, dated the 21st November 1863.

From—J. W. S. WYLLIE, ESQ., Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

To—The Governor of the Straits Settlement.

To—The Chief Commr. of British Burmah.

I AM directed to forward to you the accompanying copy of a *Gazette Extraordinary* announcing the demise yesterday, at Dhurmsala, of the Right Hon'ble the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, Her Majesty's Viceroy and Governor General of India.

NOTIFICATION.

Dated the 21st November 1863.

PENDING the assumption of the office of Governor General of India by His Excellency Sir William Denison, K. C. B., who, under the provisions of Section 50 of "The Indian Councils Act, 1861," succeeds temporarily to the vacancy caused in that office by the death of the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, it is notified that the said office is held by the Hon'ble Sir Robert Napier, K. C. B.

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Telegram dated the 21st November 1863.

From—The Secretary to the Government of India.

To—Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Madras.

To—Chief Secy. to Govt. of Bombay.

To—Secy. to Govt. of the N. W. Provinces, Allahabad.

To—Secy. to Govt. of the Punjab, Lahore.

PENDING the assumption of the office of Governor General of India by His Excellency Sir William Denison, K. C. B., who, under the provisions of Section 50 of "The Indian Councils Act, 1861," succeeds temporarily to the vacancy caused in that office by the death of the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, it is notified that the said office is held by the Hon'ble Sir Robert Napier, K. C. B.

Telegram dated the 24th November 1863.

From—Sir ROBERT NAPIER.

To—Sir BARTLE FRERE, Bombay.

BE so kind as to secure the transmission of the following message from Egypt by telegraph:

From Sir R. NAPIER, to Sir CHARLES WOOD, India Office.

LORD ELGIN died on 20th. Sir William Denison will be here in a few days. Pending his arrival, the government has devolved upon me.

NOTIFICATION.

Dated the 24th November 1863.

THE Governor General in Council directs that every mark of distinction and respect shall be paid by public officers to the Countess of Elgin during her journey to Calcutta, and during the time that she may remain in India. The Governor General in Council desires also that the officers of the Districts through which Lady Elgin may pass

will hold themselves in readiness to do everything that may be required to facilitate her progress, and to provide such guards and escorts as may be necessary.

COPY forwarded by telegraph to the Governments of the North-Western Provinces and the Punjab.

Telegram dated the 24th November 1863.

From—Sir R. NAPIER.
To—Sir BARTLE FRERE, Bombay.

WILL you inform the Consul-General in Egypt that Lady Elgin may arrive at Suez early in January, so that he may have suitable arrangements of all kinds made for her.

General Orders by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

Head Quarters Camp Meean Meer, the 22nd November 1863.

THE Commander-in-Chief in India publishes, with the deepest regret to the army, the following telegram from the Secretary to Government, Home Department, conveying the melancholy intelligence of the decease of the Viceroy and Governor General of India.

Whilst the country will deplore the loss of a statesman who has administered in different quarters of the globe the highest duties with a firm will and rare ability, the army will regret one whose name is so prominently associated with a successful military expedition into a vast and unknown empire, and who obtained an honorable treaty in the capital which had been won by his and his distinguished French colleagues' wisdom and firmness, and the skill and resolution of the British and French armies.

His Excellency can testify that the lamented Earl of Elgin and Kincardine had always the welfare of the army at heart; one of his last acts showed how much he cared for it.

In accordance with the orders of the Hon'ble the President in Council, the Commander-in-Chief directs that the flag at Fort William shall be hoisted half mast high from sun-rise this day, and that it shall continue to be so hoisted until the evening of the 28th instant, on which day fifty-two minute guns will be fired from the Fort, the last gun to be fired and the flag dropped as the sun sets. Similar marks of respect will be paid at Agra, Allahabad, Delhi, Lucknow, Lahore, and all other Forts occupied by the troops, and the officers of the army will put themselves into mourning, as prescribed in Her Majesty's Regulations, for a period of one month from the date of this order.

Their Excellencies the Commanders-in-Chief of Madras and Bombay are requested to carry out these instructions in their respective Presidencies.

Telegram dated the 21st November 1863.

From—The Home Secretary, Calcutta.
To—The Military Secy. to the Commander-in-Chief, Meean Meer.

"WITH the deepest sorrow the President in Council announces the death of the Right Honorable James, Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, K. T., K. C. B., and K. S. I., Her Majesty's Viceroy and Governor General of India. This great public calamity occurred yesterday, the 20th instant, at Dhurmsala, in the Kangra Valley.

The President in Council directs that the flag at Fort William shall be hoisted half mast high from sun-rise to-morrow, and that it shall continue to be so hoisted until the evening of the 28th instant; on that day fifty-two minute guns will be fired from the Fort, the last gun to be fired and the flag to be dropped as the sun sets. Similar marks of respect will be paid at the respective seats of Government, and at all the principal military stations in India.

"The President in Council directs that all the officers of Her Majesty's Civil, Military, and Marine Services do put themselves into mourning for a period of one month, and the President in Council invites all classes of Her Majesty's subjects in India to join in this token of respect for the memory of the statesman who has thus been prematurely lost to his Sovereign, whom he had served for many years and in many countries with distinguished zeal, wisdom, and success; and to the people of India, whose happiness and prosperity he had constantly and earnestly at heart."

By Order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,

E. HAYTHORNE, *Colonel,*
Adjutant General.

Despatch from the Government of India, to the Right Hon'ble SIR CHARLES WOOD, BART., G. C. B., *Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India,—No.* 54 *(Public), dated Fort William, the* 21*st November* 1863.

SIR,—The telegraph will have doubtless informed you of the calamity which has befallen India before this official announcement can reach you.

2. The Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, Viceroy and Governor General of India, died at Dhurmsala, in the Punjab, yesterday, the 20th November.

3. We enclose a copy of the notification by which we have to-day communicated this mournful intelligence to the public.

We have, &c.,

R. NAPIER.
H. B. HARINGTON.
H. S. MAINE.
C. E. TREVELYAN.
W. GREY.

Despatch from the Government of India, to the Right Hon'ble SIR CHARLES WOOD, BART., G. C. B., *Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India,—No.* 55 *(Public), dated Fort William, the* 23*rd November* 1863.

SIR,—We have the honor to enclose, for your information, copy of a notification, issued under date the 21st instant, announcing the temporary assumption of the office of Governor General of India by Sir Robert Napier, K. C. B.

2. We have issued this notification in consequence of Sir William Denison having signified his intention not to assume the office of Governor General until his arrival in Calcutta.

We have, &c.,

R. NAPIER.
H. B. HARINGTON.
H. S. MAINE.
C. E. TREVELYAN.
W. GREY.

Telegram dated the 26th November 1863.

From—The Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras.

To—The Secretary to the Government of India.

SIR WILLIAM DENISON and suite embarked for Calcutta on the *Arracan* this afternoon, and the Hon'ble Edward Maltby assumed the office of Governor of this Presidency.

PROCLAMATION.

Dated the 2nd December 1863.

WHEREAS the death of the Right Hon'ble James, Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, K. T., G. C. B., and G. M. S. I., has caused a vacancy in the office of Governor General of India; AND WHEREAS it has been provided by the 50th Section of the Act 24 and 25 Vic., Cap. 67, that "if any vacancy shall happen in the office of Governor General of India when no provisional successor shall be in India to supply such vacancy, then, and in every such case, the Governor of the Presidency of Fort St. George, or the Governor of the Presidency of Bombay, who shall have been first appointed to the office of Governor by Her Majesty, shall hold and execute the said office of Governor General of India, and Governor of the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal, until a successor shall arrive or until some person in India shall be duly appointed thereto;" AND WHEREAS there is not in India any provisional successor to supply the vacancy in the office of Governor General of India, IT IS HEREBY proclaimed that His Excellency Colonel Sir William Thomas Denison, Knight Commander of the Most Hon'ble Order of the Bath, and Governor of the Presidency of Fort St. George, has this day assumed the office of Governor General of India and Governor of the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal.

His Excellency Colonel Sir WILLIAM THOMAS DENISON, K. C. B., has this day taken the oaths and his seat in His Excellency's Council under a salute of twenty-one guns from the ramparts of Fort William.

By Order of the Governor General in Council,

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ORDERED, that the foregoing Proclamation be read at the head of the troops of the garrison of Fort William under a salute of twenty-one guns and three vollies of small arms.

Ordered also, that the Proclamation be read at the head of the troops in the different garrisons and at all the principal military stations under a salute of twenty-one guns.

Ordered, that a copy of the Proclamation, and of the foregoing orders, be sent for information to the Military, Foreign, Financial, and Public Works Departments, whence such further orders as may be necessary will be issued forthwith.

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 7501, dated the 2nd December 1863.

From—J. W. S. WYLLIE, ESQ., Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.

To—S. GLADSTONE, ESQ., Sheriff of Calcutta.

I AM directed by His Excellency the Governor General in Council to desire that you will proceed in the proper form, attended by your Peace Officers, to the Court House of the High Court, Calcutta, and

then and there duly publish or cause to be published the Proclamation, of which I herewith transmit to you a copy. You are further desired to return the said document into my Office with a regular endorsement of the due execution of the present orders signed by you.

Nos. 7502 to 7514, dated the 2nd December 1863.

From—E. C. BAYLEY, ESQ., Secretary to the Government of India.

To—The Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George.
" " Bombay.
" " Bengal.
" " N. W. Provinces.
" " Punjab.
To—The Governor of the Straits Settlement.
To—The Military Secy. to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in India.
To—The Secy. to the Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's Naval Forces in the East India and China Stations.
To—The Chief Commissioner of Oudh.
" " Central Provinces.
" " British Burmah.
To—The Resident at Hyderabad.
To—The Commissioner of Mysore and Coorg.

I AM directed to acquaint you * that, in conformity with the provisions of the 50th Section of the Act 24 and 25 Victoria, Cap. 67, His Excellency Colonel Sir William Thomas Denison, K. C. B., Governor of the Presidency of Fort St. George, has this day assumed the office of Governor General of India, and has taken the customary oaths and his seat in the Council of the Governor General of India.

* *Madras* ... } for the information of His Excellency
Bombay ... } the Governor in Council,
Bengal ... } His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor,
N. W. Provs. ... } His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor,
Punjab ... } His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor,
Mily. Secy. to C.-in-C. ... } for the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,
Secy. to Naval C.-in-C. ... } for the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,

Telegram dated the 2nd December 1863.

From—The Secretary to the Government of India.

To—Chief Secretary to Government of Madras.
" " Bombay.
To—Secretary to the Government of Punjab, Lahore.
" " N. W. P., Allahabad.
To—Chief Commissioner of Oudh.
" " Central Provinces, Nagpore.
To—Military Secy. to the Commander-in-Chief, Lahore.
To—Resident at Hyderabad.

SIR WILLIAM DENISON assumed the office of Governor General of India to-day.

Despatch from the Government of India, to the Right Hon'ble SIR CHARLES WOOD, BART., G. C. B., *Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India,—No.* 60 *(Public), dated Fort William, the 3rd December* 1863.

SIR,—In continuation of our letter No. 55, dated the 23rd ultimo, we have the honor to inform you that His Excellency Colonel Sir WILLIAM THOMAS DENISON, K. C. B., arrived in Calcutta on Wednesday, the 2nd instant.

2. His Excellency landed at half past 4 o'clock, and proceeded to the Government House, where he was received by the Hon'ble Sir Robert Napier, K. C. B., the Hon'ble the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, and the principal public officers, civil and military, who were there assembled. His Excellency immediately repaired to the Council Chamber, where, the Proclamation of that day's date having been read, he took the oaths and his seat as Governor General of India.

3. Copies of the Notification and Proclamation relative to Sir WILLIAM DENISON's arrival and assumption of the government of India are enclosed for your information.

We have, &c.,

W. DENISON.
R. NAPIER.
H. B. HARINGTON.
H. S. MAINE.
C. E. TREVELYAN.
W. GREY.

Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, to the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council,—No. 1 *(Public), dated the* 4*th January* 1864.

SIR,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 21st November (No. 54) 1863, containing the announcement of the death of the Earl of Elgin, previously communicated by telegraph, and enclosing a copy of the notification issued by you on the occasion.

2. The intelligence of this melancholy event, which has so unexpectedly deprived Her Majesty and the country of the services of the distinguished nobleman so recently selected to fill the high office of Her Majesty's Viceroy and Governor General of India, has been received by Her Majesty's Government with the deepest feelings of regret, and I have to communicate their entire approval of the public marks of respect to the memory of Lord Elgin ordered in the notification of the 21st November last, and of the invitation addressed to all classes of the community to unite in a common tribute of respect and sorrow for the loss which has been sustained by his death.

I have, &c.,

C. WOOD.

NOTE.—*The foregoing despatch was published in the "Gazette of India" of the* 17*th February* 1864, *page* 97 *(Home Department Notification No.* 1040 *A, dated* 15*th February* 1864*).*

NOTE.—In consequence of the death of Lord Elgin, the office of Governor General devolved temporarily, under Section 50 of 24 and 25 Victoria, Cap. 67 (The Indian Councils Act), on Sir William Denison, Governor of Madras, who was the senior Governor in India. But as Sir William Denison intimated his intention of assuming the Governor Generalship on his arrival in Calcutta, Major-General Sir Robert Napier, K. C. B., the senior Ordinary Member of Council, became "Acting Governor General" pending Sir William Denison's arrival. The Government of Bombay doubted the legality of Sir Robert Napier's assumption of the office, but it was pointed out to that Government that it had overlooked Section 51 of the Indian Councils Act, and Section 62 of 3 and 4 William IV., Cap. 85, therein referred to.

The Secretary of State affirmed the correctness of the proceedings of the Government of India. The papers on the subject are printed below.

READ a letter from the Officiating Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay, No. 1911, dated the 14th instant, submitting, for such consideration as the subject may appear to this Government to require, a copy of the following minute recorded by His Excellency the Governor of Bombay relative to the temporary assumption of the office of Governor General by the Hon'ble Sir Robert Napier, K. C. B.

Minute by His Excellency the GOVERNOR OF BOMBAY, *concurred in by the Hon'ble* W. E. FRERE *and the Hon'ble* J. D. INVERARITY,—*dated the 7th December* 1863.

The *Calcutta Gazette* contains the following "notification," signed by the Secretary to the Government of India in the Home Department, and dated 21st November 1863:

"Pending the assumption of the office of Governor General of India by His Excellency Sir William Denison, K. C. B., who, under the provisions of Section 50 of the Indian Councils Act, 1861, succeeds temporarily to the vacancy caused in that office by the death of the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, it is notified that the said office is held by the Hon'ble Sir Robert Napier, C. C. B."

And in a *Fort St. George Gazette Extraordinary* dated 23rd November, the same notification is "published for general information" by the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras as a telegram from the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department.

2. The legal validity of the arrangement thus notified seems to me open to grave doubt; and as the question might, under different circumstances, become one of the greastest importance, I think it desirable that we should refer the point for the consideration and decision of the Government of India and Secretary of State with a view to avoid all doubt hereafter.

24 and 25 Vic., Cap. LXVII.

3. The Indian Councils Act of 1861 provides (Section 50)—

"If any vacancy shall happen in the office of Governor General of India when no provisional successor shall be in India to supply such vacancy, then and in every such case the Governor of the Presidency of Fort St. George or the Governor of the Presidency of Bombay who shall have been first appointed to the office of Governor by Her Majesty shall hold and execute the said office of Governor General of India and Governor of the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal until a successor shall arrive, or until some person in India shall be duly appointed thereto, and every such Acting Governor General shall, during the time of his continuing to act as such, have and exercise all the rights and powers of Governor General of India."

4. This appears to me to contemplate immediate succession to the vacant office wherever the successor may be, just as in an hereditary office the son succeeds on the death of the father.

5. There can be no argument, *ex necessitate*, for the arrangement notified, since the President in Council is competent to do all acts necessary for the ordinary conduct of the business of the Government of India as long as the Governor General is absent from his Council, and it can, therefore, matter little whether the Governor General for the time being is at Lahore or Madras.

6. But in cases such as have just occurred, or such as might have occurred when Lord Ellenborough was at Gwalior, when Lord Hardinge was on the Sutlej, or Lord Canning at Allahabad, serious results might follow the course indicated by the present precedent, that precedent being, it seems to me, to the effect that the officer whose succession to the vacant office of Governor General is provided by Act of Parliament does not succeed to the office till he has repaired to Calcutta, and there been sworn in, and that, meanwhile, the office is held by one not appointed to the office by the Crown, nor by Act of Parliament, nor assuming the functions *ad interim ex necessitate*.

7. I conclude that any argument which could be adduced in favor of the course followed in the present instance must equally apply to the case of an officer holding a latent appointment as Provisional Governor General, at least I can see no reason which could be urged in the case of an officer appointed by Act of Parliament which would not equally apply in the case of an officer specifically nominated by the Crown. But, of course, the possible evils of the delay in his assumption of office would in that case be greater.

8. Even if the course pursued be that intended by Parliament and by Her Majesty's Government, I think the question should be clearly and authoritatively set at rest, and provision made for authoritative notification of the succession in cases like the present.

9. A mere "notification" by a Secretary of the Government of India, or Chief Secretary of a Presidency, that such an important office "is held" by an officer not appointed by the Crown nor by Act of Parliament, when there is in India an officer who is designated to succeed by Act of Parliament, seems a very informal and insufficient mode of settling a point which, under different circumstances, might be one of the greatest moment to the most important interests of the empire.

H. B. E. FRERE.

Despatch from the Government of Bombay, to the Right Hon'ble SIR CHARLES WOOD, BART., *Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India,—No.* 31 *(General), dated the* 12*th December* 1863.

SIR,—We do ourselves the honor to forward herewith copy of a minute recorded by His Excellency the President, under date the 7th instant, relative to the assumption temporarily of the office of the Governor General of India by the Hon'ble Sir Robert Napier, K. C. B., for such consideration as the subject may appear to require. We have submitted the question to the Government of India.

We have, &c.,

H. B. E. FRERE.
W. E. FRERE.
J. D. INVERARITY.

Minute by the Hon'ble H. S. MAINE,—*dated the 23rd December* 1863.

IT is somewhat difficult to answer the minute of His Excellency the Governor of Bombay, dated 7th December 1863, because an answer far more distinct and direct than any I can give appears to me to be supplied by the very text of the Indian Councils Act.

Sir Robert Napier assumed the office of Governor General not under Section 50, but under the last clause of Section 51 of the Act.

His Excellency Sir William Denison having announced to us that he did not intend to take up the office of Governor General until his arrival in Calcutta, it seems to me that a case had arisen which was contemplated with the utmost exactness by Section 51. That section provides that Section 62 of 3rd and 4th William IV., Cap. 85, shall apply under the very circumstances which actually occurred, and the section referred to enacts that the Senior Member of Council shall hold and execute the office of Governor General, and in its last clause expressly calls him "Acting Governor General."

I imagine that Section 51 of the Indian Councils Act has been wholly overlooked by Sir Bartle Frere and his hon'ble colleagues.

As regards the last paragraph of His Excellency's minute, I have only to suggest that the point was too clear for detailed or formal explanation to be necessary.

It is much to be regretted that the Governor in Council of Bombay did not submit a purely legal question to his legal advisers.

H. S. MAINE.

Minute by His Excellency the Governor General,—dated December 1863.

HIS EXCELLENCY Sir BARTLE FRERE has taken a legal objection to the course followed by me individually, and by the Members of the Governor General's Council collectively, with reference to the notification in the *Gazette* of 21st November, that the office of Governor General was to be held by the Hon'ble Sir Robert Napier pending my assumption of it.

The circumstances connected with the notification of my intended course of action were briefly as follows:

Lord Elgin, when he was warned by his medical attendants of his dangerous state, directed his Private Secretary to notify the same to me. A day or two after the receipt of the telegram communicating the information, I received another from Colonel Durand, the Secretary for Foreign Affairs with the Governor General, who, after detailing the state of the business in his office, asked whether it was my intention to avail myself of the power vested in me by the 51st Clause of the Indian Councils Act. My answer by telegram was as follows:

> "It is my intention, in case of the death of Lord Elgin, to proceed with as little delay as possible to Calcutta, and there to assume the government. As, however, the work in the Foreign Office will not admit of delay, the Secretary would act wisely in submitting the most pressing matters to the President in Council, who will act as Governor General till I am able to assume the government. Were I to assume the government under Section 51 of the Indian Councils Act, unnecessary delay would be caused."

A copy of this telegram was sent at the same time to Sir R. Napier. The course taken by me was, I believe, in strict accordance

both with the letter and spirit of the Indian Councils Act. I did not think *it necessary*, as stated in Section 51, to exercise the powers of Governor General before taking my seat in Council. On the contrary, I thought it, under the circumstances, very inexpedient to do so; and it appears to me that Sir Bartle Frere, in impugning the legality of the course taken, has altogether misinterpreted the clauses of the Indian Councils Act which bear upon the question; in fact, he has looked only to Clause 50, and has altogether forgotten Clause 51.

W. DENISON.

No. 8031, dated the 24th December 1863.

From—E. C. BAYLEY, ESQ., Secretary to the Government of India.

To—A. D. ROBERTSON, ESQ., Offg. Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bombay.

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 1911, dated the 14th instant, forwarding a minute by His Excellency the Governor of Bombay upon the subject of the assumption of the office of Governor General by the Hon'ble Sir R. Napier, K. C. B., pending the arrival in Calcutta of His Excellency Sir W. T. Denison, K. C. B.

2. The Governor General in Council wholly dissents from the opinion expressed by His Excellency Sir Bartle Frere, and concurred in by his hon'ble colleagues, with regard to the assumption of Governor Generalship by Sir Robert Napier. That opinion appears to have been formed on an exclusive consideration of Section 50 of the Indian Councils Act, and without any reference to Section 51. A perusal of Section 51 and of Section 62 of 3rd and 4th William IV., Cap. 85, therein referred to will probably convince His Excellency of his error.

3. His Excellency Sir William Denison having intimated to the Council of the late Viceroy that it was not his intention to assume the office of Governor General until his arrival in Calcutta, a case had arisen for which the last clause of Section 51 was obviously intended to provide. It was under that clause, and not in any way under Section 50, that Sir Robert Napier temporarily held the Governor Generalship.

4. With reference to the last paragraph of Sir Bartle Frere's minute, I am desired to state that the point appears to be too clear for any formal explanation to be necessary.

Despatch from the Government of India, to the Right Hon'ble SIR CHARLES WOOD, BART., G. C. B., *Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India,—No.* 63 (*Public*), *dated the* 23*rd December* 1863.

SIR,—His Excellency the Governor of Bombay in Council has communicated to you His Excellency's minute of the 7th instant, impugning the legality of the temporary assumption of the office of Governor General by Sir Robert Napier, as notified under date the 21st November last, and communicated to you in our despatch of the 23rd idem, No. 55.

2. The circumstances connected with the adoption of the measure objected to by the Governor of Bombay are fully explained in the minute of the Governor General herewith forwarded. We shall here extract the passage of the minute which explains the course of action adopted,—

> "Lord Elgin, when he was warned by his medical attendants of his dangerous state, directed his Private Secretary to notify the same to me. A day or two after the receipt of the telegram communicating this information, I received another

from Colonel Durand, the Secretary for Foreign Affairs with the Governor General, who, after detailing the state of the business in his office, asked whether it was my intention to avail myself of the power vested in me by the 51st Clause of the Indian Councils Act. My answer by telegram was as follows: 'It is my intention, in case of the death of Lord Elgin, to proceed with as little delay as possible to Calcutta, and there to assume the government. As, however, the work in the Foreign Office will not admit of delay, the Secretary would act wisely in submitting the most pressing matters to the President in Council, who will act as Governor General till I am able to assume the government. Were I to assume the government under Section 51 of the Indian Councils Act, unnecessary delay would be caused.'"

3. Sir Robert Napier, therefore, assumed the office of Governor General under the last clause of Section 51 of the Indian Councils Act.

4. His Excellency Sir William Denison having intimated his intention not to take up the office of Governor General until his arrival in Calcutta, it seemed to us that a case had arisen which was contemplated with the utmost exactness by Section 51. That section provides that Section 62 of 3 and 4 William IV., Cap. 85, shall apply under the very circumstances which actually occurred, and the section referred to enacts that the senior Member of Council shall hold and execute the office of Governor General, and in its last clause expressly calls him "Acting Governor General."

5. Under these circumstances, we imagine that Section 51 of the Indian Councils Act has been wholly overlooked by Sir Bartle Frere and his hon'ble colleagues.

6. We enclose copy of a minute by Mr. Maine on this subject.

We have, &c.,

W. DENISON.
R. NAPIER.
H. B. HARINGTON.
H. S. MAINE.
C. E. TREVELYAN.
W. GREY.

Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State, to the Government of India,—No. 16 (*Public*), *dated the* 16*th February* 1864.

SIR,—I have considered in Council the letters from the Government of India, dated 23rd November (No. 55), and 3rd December (No. 60) 1863, and I have only to remark that the various steps therein reported for supplying temporarily the vacancy in the office of Governor General of India consequent on the death of the Earl of Elgin seem to have been in strict accordance with the provisions of Act 24 and 25 Victoria, Cap. 67, Sections 50 and 51.

2. The preceding paragraph had been written, and I had caused a corresponding despatch to be prepared to the Government of Bombay in reply to their letter of the 12th of December (No. 31) 1863, when I received your letter dated 23rd December (No. 63) 1863, and I have now only to express my entire concurrence in the views set forth in the minutes which accompanied your letter just referred to.

I have, &c.,

C. WOOD.

Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State, to the Government of Bombay,—No. 5 (*Public*), *dated the* 16*th February* 1864.

SIR,—I have considered in Council your letter dated 12th December (No. 31) 1863, forwarding a minute recorded by Your Excellency relative to the assumption temporarily of the office of Governor General of India by Sir Robert Napier, and I have in reply to remark that under Act 24 and 25 Victoria, Cap. 67, Section 51, it was open to Sir W. Denison to assume the office of Governor General immediately on being informed of the death of the Earl of Elgin; but that, as His Excellency determined to defer such assumption until his arrival at Calcutta, the course taken by Sir Robert Napier was in strict accordance with the provisions of the law as laid down in the Act above referred to, and in Act 3 and 4 William IV., Cap. 85, Section 62.

I have, &c.,

C. WOOD.

71.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL PATRICK STEWART, R. E., (Telegraph Department). 16th January 1865.

No. 2486.

HOME DEPARTMENT (ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.)

Fort William, the 16th March 1865.

NOTIFICATION.

IN publishing the subjoined extract from a despatch from the Right Hon'ble the Secretary of State for India, communicating the intelligence of the death of Lieutenant-Colonel Patrick Stewart, R. E., the Governor General in Council desires to express the deep regret which the loss of this able and distinguished public servant has caused to the Government of India:

Extract paragraph 1 *of the Secretary of State's Telegraph Despatch No.* 1, *dated the 26th January* 1865.

PARA. 1.—"It is with deep concern that I announce to your Excellency the decease of Lieutenant-Colonel Patrick Stewart, R. E., which took place at Constantinople on the 16th instant. In him the State has been deprived of a servant of distinguished ability and of unsurpassed activity and zeal."

By Order of the Governor General in Council,

E. C. BAYLEY,

Secy. to the Govt. of India.

72.

HIS MAJESTY THE KING OF THE BELGIANS (uncle to the Queen). 10th December 1865.

GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 1100.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, Saturday, the 3rd February 1866.

NOTIFICATION.

OFFICIAL intelligence having been received by the last mail of the demise of His Majesty the King of the Belgians, uncle to Her Majesty the Queen, the Governor General in Council directs that, in conformity with notice issued to Her Majesty's subjects in England, the Officers of Her Majesty's Civil, Military and Marine Services do put themselves into mourning for a period of ten days.

The Governor General in Council requests that a similar mark of respect may, on this melancholy occasion, be observed by all other classes of British subjects residing within the Provinces subject to this Presidency.

The Governor General in Council directs that the flag of Fort William shall be hoisted half-mast high from sun-rise to-morrow until the evening of the 10th instant. On that day, seventy-four minute guns, corresponding with the age of His late Majesty the King of the Belgians, will be fired from the Fort, the last gun to be fired and the flag to be dropped as the sun sets.

By Order of the Governor General in Council,

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

73.

THE HON'BLE STEWART ST. JOHN GORDON, Additional Member of the Council of the Governor General. 8th March 1866.

GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 2230.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, Thursday, the 8th March 1866.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Hon'ble Stewart St. John Gordon, an Additional Member of the Council of the Governor General, died this morning.

The Governor General in Council notifies this mournful event with the deepest regret, and he requests that the Officers of Government, Civil and Military, will attend the funeral of the late Mr. Gordon, assembling for that purpose at his residence No. 3, Middleton Row, at 6 o'clock to-morrow morning.

His Excellency in Council has directed the flag of Fort William to be lowered to half-mast high during this day, and fifteen minute guns to be fired at the time of the funeral from the ramparts of Fort William.

By Order of the Governor General in Council,

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 2230 A.

COPY forwarded to the Government of Bombay for information.

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

74.

THE RIGHT REVEREND GEORGE EDWARD LYNCH COTTON, D. D., Lord Bishop of Calcutta. 6th October 1866.

No. 5288.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Simla, the 10th October 1866.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council has learned with the deepest sorrow the death, through a calamitous accident, of the Right Reverend George Edward Lynch Cotton, Lord Bishop of Calcutta.

There is scarcely a member of the entire Christian community throughout India who will not feel the premature loss of this prelate as a personal affliction. It has rarely been given to any body of Christians in any country to witness such depth of learning and variety of accomplishment, combined with piety so earnest and energy so untiring. His Excellency in Council does not hesitate to add the expression of his belief that large numbers, even among those of Her Majesty's subjects in India who did not share in the faith of the Bishop of Calcutta, had learned to appreciate his great knowledge, his sincerity, and his charity, and will join in lamenting his death.

By Command of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

NOTE.—*This notification was communicated by telegram to the Governments of Madras, Bombay, and Bengal.*

No. 5341.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Simla, the 11th October 1866.

NOTIFICATION.

IN consequence of the demise of the Right Reverend George Edward Lynch Cotton, the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council is pleased to direct that the following extract from the Letters Patent of the 10th May 1858 be published for general information:

> "And we further will that, during a vacancy of the said See of Calcutta by the demise of the Bishop thereof for the time being or otherwise, the episcopal jurisdiction and functions appertaining to the said See shall be exercised by such one of the Suffragan Bishops of Madras and Bombay for the time being as shall have been first consecrated."

The said episcopal jurisdiction and functions will accordingly be exercised by the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Bombay.

By Command of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council,

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

NOTE.—*The Bishop of Bombay was informed by telegraph.*

Despatch from the Government of India, to the Right Hon'ble VISCOUNT CRANBORNE, *Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India,—Home Department (Ecclesiastical), No. 9, dated Simla, the 8th October* 1866.

MY LORD,—We have to announce to you with the deepest regret the death of the Right Reverend the Bishop of Calcutta, the news of which melancholy event has just reached us by telegraph.

2. We have received no particulars of the occurrence, but we understand that it took place by accidental drowning at Kooshtea, in Bengal. The official account will be forwarded as soon as we receive it.

We have, &c.,

JOHN LAWRENCE.
W. MANSFIELD.
H. S. MAINE.
W. GREY.
G. N. TAYLOR.
W. N. MASSEY.
H. M. DURAND.

Despatch from the Government of India, to the Right Hon'ble VISCOUNT CRANBORNE, *Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India,—Home Department (Ecclesiastical), No.* 10, *dated Simla, the* 12*th October* 1866.

MY LORD,—In continuation of our despatch No. 9, dated the 8th instant, we have the honor to transmit, for your information, the accompanying copy of a *Gazette Extraordinary* dated the 10th instant, containing a notification announcing the death of the Bishop of Calcutta.

We have, &c.,

JOHN LAWRENCE.
W. MANSFIELD.
H. S. MAINE.
W. GREY.
G. N. TAYLOR.
W. N. MASSEY.
H. M. DURAND.

Despatch from the Government of India, to the Right Hon'ble VISCOUNT CRANBORNE, *Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India,—Home Department (Ecclesiastical), No.* 11, *dated Simla, the* 17*th October* 1866.

MY LORD,—In continuation of our despatch No. 10, dated the 12th instant, we have the honor to transmit a copy of our notification No. 5341, dated the 11th instant, intimating that, under the Letters Patent of the 10th May 1858, the episcopal jurisdiction and functions appertaining to the See of Calcutta will be exercised during the existing vacancy by the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Bombay.

We have, &c.,

JOHN LAWRENCE.
W. MANSFIELD.
H. S. MAINE.
W. GREY.
G. N. TAYLOR.
W. N. MASSEY.
H. M. DURAND.

Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State, to the Government of India,—No. 24 *(Ecclesiastical), dated India Office, London, the* 16*th November* 1866.

SIR,—I have received with feelings of deep concern the melancholy intelligence, communicated in your despatch dated 8th October (No. 9) 1866, of the death of the Lord Bishop of Calcutta by accidental drowning at Kooshtea.

2. The loss of a prelate who discharged the duties of his high office with such zeal, devotedness, charity, and sound judgment, cannot fail to be sensibly felt both by the Government with which he was connected and by the Diocese over which he presided; and I have to express my entire concurrence in the sentiments recorded by your Government in your Public Notification of His Lordship's death in the *Gazette* of the 10th October last.

I have, &c.,

CRANBORNE.

NOTE.—*The foregoing despatch from the Secretary of State was published for general information in the "Gazette of India" of the 29th December* 1866, *page* 1684 *(Notification No.* 1767, *dated* 28*th December* 1866).

No. 2403.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 8*th March* 1867.

NOTIFICATION.

THE following despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State is published for general information:

ECCLESIASTICAL.
No. 3.

INDIA OFFICE;
London, the 24*th January* 1867.

To His Excellency the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council.

SIR,—I have to inform you that Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to appoint the Reverend Robert Milman to be Bishop of Calcutta in succession to the late lamented Right Reverend G. E. L. Cotton, D. D.

I have, &c.,

CRANBORNE.

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 3471.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 5*th April* 1867.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Governor General in Council is pleased to notify, for general information, that the Right Reverend Robert Milman, D. D., Lord Bishop of Calcutta and Metropolitan in India and the Island of Ceylon, arrived in Calcutta on Saturday, the 30th ultimo, and was installed in St. Paul's Cathedral on the 2nd instant.

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, to the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Bombay,—No. 3633, *dated the* 10*th April* 1867.

MY LORD,—I am directed to inform you that the Reverend Robert Milman, D. D., nominated and appointed under Letters Patent from Her Majesty the Queen to be Bishop of the See and Diocese of

Calcutta and Metropolitan Bishop in India and the Island of Ceylon, arrived at Calcutta on the 30th ultimo, and was installed in St. Paul's Cathedral on the 2nd instant.

I have, &c.,

E. C. BAYLEY.
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 3634.

COPY forwarded to the Financial Department for information.

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Despatch from the Government of India, to the Right Hon'ble VISCOUNT CRANBORNE, *Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India,—No.* 4 *(Ecclesiastical), dated Fort William, the* 12*th April* 1867.

MY LORD,—We have the honor to report, for your information, that the Reverend R. Milman, D. D., appointed by Her Majesty under Letters Patent dated at Westminster, the 24th January 1867, to be Bishop of the See and Diocese of Calcutta and Metropolitan Bishop in India and the Island of Ceylon, arrived at the Presidency on the 30th ultimo, and was installed on the 2nd instant.

We have, &c.,

JOHN LAWRENCE.
H. S. MAINE.
W. GREY.
G. N. TAYLOR.
W. N. MASSEY.
H. M. DURAND.

NOTE.—*Her Majesty's Letters Patent above referred to have been recorded on Ecclesiastical Proceedings of* 5*th April* 1867 *as No.* 7.

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75.

THE HON'BLE SHUMBOONATH PUNDIT, one of the Judges of Her Majesty's High Court at Fort William. 6th June 1867.

GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY,—Simla, Monday, June 17, 1867.

No. 1345.

HOME DEPARTMENT (JUDICIAL).

Simla, the 14*th June* 1867.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Governor General in Council has received, with sincere regret, official intimation of the death of the Hon'ble Shumboonath Pundit, one of the Judges of Her Majesty's High Court at Fort William.

The Honorable the Chief Justice, in communicating this intelligence to the Governor General, has said—"So far as Mr. Justice Shumboonath Pundit was concerned, the experiment of appointing a Native gentleman to a seat in the High Court has succeeded. He had a considerable knowledge of his profession, and a thorough acquaintance with the Natives. I have always found him upright, honorable, and independent, and I believe that he was looked up to by his countrymen with respect and confidence."

The interest which, both in India and in England, attaches to the experiment of placing a Native gentleman in the highest judicial situation in the country, has induced the Governor General in Council to make public the opinion of the Honorable the Chief Justice, in which His Excellency in Council entirely agrees.

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

76.

His Highness Kristna Raj Wudayer Bahadoor, G. C. S. I., Maharajah of Mysore. 27th March 1868.

No. 325.

Foreign Department (Political).

Fort William, the 30th March 1868.

NOTIFICATION.

His Excellency the Right Hon'ble the Viceroy and Governor General of India in Council announces with sorrow the death, on the 27th of March, of His Highness Kristna Raj Wudayer Bahadoor, Knight Grand Commander of the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Maharajah of Mysore, a Prince who from his earliest years had lived in friendship and connexion with the British Government in India. In accordance with the sanction of Her Majesty's Government, His Highness Chamrajaindra Wudayer Bahadoor, the adopted son of the late Maharajah, has been recognised and proclaimed as Maharajah of Mysore, in virtue of the proclamatian hereto appended. The Maharajah being now a minor, the government and administration of the Territories of Mysore will, during His Highness's minority, be conducted under the direction of the Commissioner in the same manner as heretofore. And all matters relating to the Maharajah's household and to the due protection in comfort and dignity of the family will be regulated by the same authority. The conditions under which the Government of Mysore will be entrusted to the Maharajah will remain for consideration at the time when His Highness shall arrive at the proper age.

PROCLAMATION.

His Excellency the Right Hon'ble the Viceroy and Governor General in Council announces to the chiefs and people of Mysore the death of His Highness the Maharajah Kristna Raj Wudayer Bahadoor, Knight Grand Commander of the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India. This event is regarded with sorrow by the Government of India, with which the late Maharajah had preserved relations of friendship for more than half a century.

His Highness Chamrajaindra Wudayer Bahadoor, at present a minor, the adopted son of the late Maharajah, is acknowledged by the Government of India as his successor, and as Maharajah of the Mysore Territories. During the minority of His Highness the said Territories will be administered in His Highness's name by the British Government, and will be governed on the same principles and under the same regulations as heretofore.

When His Highness shall attain to the period of majority, that is, the age of eighteen years, and if His Highness shall then be found qualified for the discharge of the duties of his exalted position, the government of the country will be entrusted to him, subject to such conditions as may be determined at that time.

By Order of His Excellency the Right Hon'ble the Viceroy and Governor General in Council,

R. TEMPLE,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

77.

HER HIGHNESS THE SECUNDER BEGUM OF BHOPAL, G. C. S. I. 30th October 1868.

No. 1296.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT (POLITICAL).

Simla, the 5th November 1868.

NOTIFICATION.

HIS EXCELLENCY the Viceroy and Governor General in Council has received the intelligence of the death of Her Highness the Secunder Begum of Bhopal, G. C. S. I., with feelings of profound regret.

2. Her Highness had conducted the administration of this Principality since the year 1847, when she was first appointed regent, with ability and success until the day of her decease. In the early years of her rule she improved the system by which the revenue of the State is collected, abolished monopolies, regulated the mint, re-organised the police, and gradually increased the public revenue, while she effectually diminished the public debt. In later times, by her support of the cause of male and female education, by her superintendence of works intended to supply her capital with pure and wholesome water, by the construction of serais and roads, and by other improvements, she gave convincing indications of real and abiding interest in the progress of her people and in the prosperity of her country.

3. Her relations with the representative of the British Government at the capital had been for a long time established on a sound and satisfactory basis, and she was on terms of friendship with the rulers of neighbouring States.

4. But it was by her firm conduct during the great mutiny that she established a more direct title to the acknowledgments of the head of the Administration.

5. Her unswerving fidelity, her skill in the management of affairs at an important crisis, the bold front which she presented to the enemies of the British power, and the vigilance with which she watched over the preservation of Englishmen, were acknowledged by Lord Canning in open durbar in terms of well-deserved praise and commendation; and the gratitude of the British Government was further evinced by a grant of territory, which its owner had justly forfeited for open rebellion, by recognition of the right of succession according to the custom of the Principality and the Mahomedan law, and by the bestowal of one of those titles which the Sovereign of Great Britain, as the fountain of honor, has instituted to reward good services performed in India either by the natives of the country, or by the British servants of the Crown.

6. His Excellency in Council, while thus testifying to the Chiefs, to the services, and to the people of India, the regret with which he has learnt the death of Her Highness, takes this opportunity of appealing to the example left by the late Begum as a proof that women, in Oriental nations, are fully capable of conducting public affairs with discretion and with dignity, and of thereby not diminishing but increasing the respect and honor in which they are held by their subjects. The Viceroy further expresses his earnest hope that the administration of Bhopal may be carried on by her successor, the Begum Shah Jehan, on the same sound principles as hitherto, and that the Chiefs and Rulers of other Native States will endeavour to imitate

the example which the deceased has set before them, of hearty cöoperation with the British authorities, of zeal and fidelity to the interests of the paramount power, and of that conscientious and earnest discharge of administrative functions which never fails ultimately to conduce both to the welfare of the community and to the honor and stability of the Prince.

W. S. SETON-KARR,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

78.

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR HENRY M. DURAND, K. C. S. I., C. B., Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab. 1st January 1871.

GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT (GENERAL).

Fort William, Tuesday, the 3rd January 1871.

NOTIFICATION.

IT is with feelings of the deepest sorrow that His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor General in Council announces the death, on the evening of the 1st instant, of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab from injuries received by a fall from his elephant at Tonk on the previous day.

By this unhappy event Her Majesty has lost a true and faithful servant; the Viceroy, an able and experienced comrade; the Punjab, a just and energetic ruler; and the Indian Service, one of its brightest ornaments.

His Excellency in Council feels assured that the sad intelligence of Sir Henry Durand's untimely end will be received in every part of the empire with feelings of the keenest regret, not only among his brethren of the services and his many friends, but by thousands of his native fellow subjects, whose interests and whose welfare it was the main object of his life to promote.

As a mark of respect for the memory of Sir Henry Durand, His Excellency in Council directs that seventeen minute guns be fired from the ramparts of Fort William at noon to-day, and that the Fort flag be lowered to half mast high. The same course of procedure is also to be observed at the seats of Governments in India on receipt of this notification.

By Order of the Viceroy and Governor General in Council,

C. U. AITCHISON,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 299 P.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT (POLITICAL).

Fort William, the 10th February 1871.

NOTIFICATION.

THE following despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India is published for general information:

Political.
No. 2.

INDIA OFFICE;
London, the 5th January 1871.

To His Excellency the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council.

MY LORD,—I have received with the deepest regret the telegraphic intelligence of the melancholy death by an accident of Major-General Sir Henry Marion Durand, K. C. S. I., C. B., Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab.

2. By this calamity the Government of India at home and abroad has been deprived of the services of one of its best officers whilst in the performance of his public duties at a time when he had just entered on a new career of utility for which he was eminently fitted.

3. Having entered the Indian Army in one of the scientific branches of the service, he distinguished himself at an early period by his gallantry in the field, and subsequently by his ability and independence of character in different high civil and political appointments, and, as a Member of the Supreme Government, won for himself the confidence of successive Governors General, until he was selected by Your Excellency to fill the high office in which his distinguished career has been so suddenly brought to a close.

4. The life of such a man is an example to the service, and Her Majesty's Government deeply deplores his death.

I have, &c.,

ARGYLL.

C. U. AITCHISON,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

79.

CAPTAIN J. P. BASEVI, R. E., of the Survey Department. 17th July 1871.

THE following correspondence on the subject of Captain Basevi's death was published in the Supplement to the *Gazette of India* of the 9th September 1871 :

No. 114—1036, dated Mussoorie, the 17th August 1871.

From—MAJOR T. G. MONTGOMERIE, R. E., Offg. Supdt., Great Trigonometrical Survey of India.

To—A. O. HUME, ESQ., C. B., Secy. to the Govt. of India, Department of Agriculture, Revenue, and Commerce.

IT is with the deepest regret that I have to report the death of Captain J. P. Basevi, R. E., Deputy Superintendent, 1st Grade, Great Trigonometrical Survey, on the 17th July 1871, whilst carrying on the pendulum observations in connection with the other geodetical operations of this Department.

In order to carry out the programme proposed by Colonel Walker in communication with, and under the auspices of, the Royal Society, Captain Basevi had to take observations at two or more stations on the very elevated table-land of Tibet and Ladak. With this object he marched from the Punjab to Kashmir, and thence to Ladak, where he completed the necessary observations at one station 15,500 feet above the sea. He then marched to the extreme confines of Ladak, and crossed into the margin of Great Tibet, and had actually reached a fitting place for taking the last observations required, when he was unfortunately seized with the fatal illness from which he died at the early age of 39.

This lamentable occurrence took place two marches to the east of Kiyam, in the Chang Chenmo Valley, at an elevation of about 17,000 feet above the sea. Captain Basevi was then some forty marches from Murree, the nearest British station, and 32 marches from Kashmir, which was the nearest point from which he could have received medical aid.

His death was undoubtedly due to his devotion to his work, and, occurring as it did under such peculiar circumstances, I hope that an application which I intend to submit, as to some extra pension for the widow, will meet with favorable consideration from the Government of India.

Captain Basevi was an officer of rare scientific and general attainments, and had devoted himself thoroughly to the work of this Department.

He had done good service in every part of India, from Ladak to the southernmost point of the Madras Presidency, one of his special charges having been the measurement of the Cape Comorin base line; in all, his merits were conspicuous, but the crowning work of his life was the taking of the pendulum observations for the whole Continent of India. To this most difficult task he devoted a large amount of talent and labor, of which it is hardly possible to convey an adequate idea. Commencing at the end of 1865, he pushed on the work with such energy that, at the time of his death, he had finished all the observing actually required over twenty-six degrees of latitude, with the exception of those at Karachi and Aden, which would have given but little trouble.

His labors will supply exceedingly valuable data towards solving the most interesting and difficult scientific questions as to the ellipticity of the earth and certain variations in the density of its crust.

Though Captain Basevi was anxious to observe at one other elevated station in Tibet, his work even as regards that portion may be considered complete; but it is much to be regretted that he was not spared to reduce his observations—a task for which he was eminently qualified with his accumulated experience of the last seven years. The Government of India has deservedly won a high reputation for its contributions to the cause of science, which have been such as to place it in the foremost rank with the most enlightened governments of Europe. It is gratifying to think that these last labors of Captain Basevi are likely, when reduced and published, to assist in maintaining that high reputation, and possibly to enhance it.

All proper arrangements will be made to complete what little remains to be done in the way of observing, with a view to finally reduce and publish the results. These will remain a noble and lasting monument of Captain Basevi's work, sufficient, I think, to establish a European reputation, which it is greatly to be regretted he did not live to enjoy.

I have no hesitation in stating that the Government of India has sustained a very great loss by the death of such a talented and devoted officer as Captain Basevi while in the prime of life. His matured experience would have been most valuable, not only in the Great Trigonometrical Survey, but in any other department of Government to which it might have been applied.

No. 175, dated Simla, the 1st September 1871.

From—A. O. Hume, Esq., c. b., Secy. to the Govt. of India, Department of Agriculture, Revenue, and Commerce.

To—Major T. G. Montgomerie, r. e., Offg. Supdt., Great Trigonometrical Survey of India.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th ultimo, No. 114—1036, reporting the death of Captain J. P. Basevi, r. e., Deputy Superintendent of the 1st Grade in the Great Trigonometrical Survey of India.

2. The Governor General in Council desires me to express the very great regret with which he has heard of this melancholy event. His Excellency in Council entirely agrees in your high appreciation of Captain Basevi's merits. The State has lost in him a most able and talented officer, whose patient and self-denying labors entitled him to the gratitude alike of the Government he served and of the world of science to whose interests he devoted himself. His sudden death in the prime of life, at a moment when he had nearly completed the important series of observations he had been engaged on, and when he was about to proceed to England to bring them to a close, and thus, it might have been hoped, reap the well-merited reward of years of ceaseless toil, is most deeply to be regretted; and the Government of India are most anxious that every endeavor should be made to complete Captain Basevi's all but finished work, and to publish it in such a form as may render it a fitting memorial of his services and their appreciation of them.

The following despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State on the same subject was published in the Supplement to the *Gazette of India* of the 9th December 1871:

GEOGRAPHICAL.
No. 26.

INDIA OFFICE;
London, the 26th October 1871.

To His Excellency the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council.

MY LORD,—I have received with feelings of deep regret the melancholy news of the death of Captain Basevi, while engaged in the completion of the pendulum observations in the Chang Chenmo Valley, which had already been announced by telegraph, but the details of which I have only received with Your Excellency's despatch dated the 1st of September (No. 12) 1871.

2. I have caused a copy of Major Montgomerie's letter to be forwarded to the President of the Royal Society, and I shall be prepared to consider any proposals which may hereafter be made by Your Excellency's Government with regard to the suggestions contained in it; but in the meanwhile I could not allow a mail to leave England without expressing my sense of the great loss which has been sustained by the public service and by science in the death of this accomplished and devoted officer. The series of observations which Captain Basevi had so nearly completed will form a lasting memorial of his services to science, while his previous career had already entitled him to rank among the foremost of the distinguished scientific officers now serving under Your Excellency's Government.

I have, &c.,
ARGYLL.

80.

THE HON'BLE J. P. NORMAN, Officiating Chief Justice of the High Court at Calcutta. 21st September 1871.

GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

HOME DEPARTMENT (PUBLIC).

Simla, the 21st September 1871.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Government of India has received intimation of the death this morning, from wounds inflicted by an assassin, of the Hon'ble John Paxton Norman, Officiating Chief Justice of the High Court of Judicature at Calcutta.

The Viceroy in Council notifies this mournful event with the deepest sorrow, and requests that all officers of Government, Civil or Military, at the Presidency, off-duty, will attend the funeral of the late Mr. Norman. His Excellency in Council also invites the community of Calcutta, European and Native, and especially the members of the legal profession, to testify, by their presence on the occasion, their respect for the high character of the deceased, and their abhorrence of the foul crime which has been committed.

His Excellency in Council has directed the public offices to be closed, and the flag of Fort William to be hoisted half mast high during the day, and seventeen minute guns to be fired from the ramparts of Fort William at the time of the funeral.

The funeral will be conducted and a monument erected in St. Paul's Cathedral at Calcutta at the public charge.

E. C. BAYLEY.
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Notification by the Government of Bengal, dated Fort William, the 21st September 1871.

[*Calcutta Gazette Extraordinary, Thursday, the 21st September* 1871.]

HIS HONOR the Lieutenant-Governor announces with the deepest sorrow the death of the Hon'ble Chief Justice Norman at 1-20 this morning from wounds inflicted yesterday by an assassin on the steps of the High Court.

The funeral will leave the late Chief Justice's residence at 5 o'clock this afternoon for the Circular Road Cemetery.

The Lieutenant-Governor feels that it is needless to ask Government officers to attend the funeral of an eminent public servant who possessed in so high a degree the regard and respect of all.

All offices in Calcutta under this Government will be closed to-day out of respect to the Hon'ble Chief Justice Norman's memory.

By Order,

C. BERNARD,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

Despatch from the Government of India, to His Grace the DUKE OF ARGYLL, K. T., *Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India,—(Public,) No.* 99, *dated Simla,* 26*th September* 1871.

MY LORD DUKE,—It is our painful duty to inform Your Grace of the death of the Honorable John Paxton Norman, Officiating Chief Justice of the High Court at Calcutta.

2. On the morning of Wednesday the 20th instant, at about 11 o'clock, Mr. Norman, after alighting from his carriage, and while ascending the steps of the Town Hall, where the High Court in its Original Jurisdiction is at present held, was suddenly stabbed in two places, in the chest and abdomen, by a man who is described as being a Punjabee Mahomedan. Mr. Norman was immediately removed to an adjacent house, where he received prompt medical treatment. The wounds, however, proved fatal. He lingered for fourteen hours, and expired at twenty minutes past one o'clock the following morning.

3. We enclose a copy of the telegraphic messages from which these particulars have been compiled.

4. We also enclose a copy of the *Gazette of India* Extraordinary which we caused to be published on receipt of the news of the occurrence. Your Grace will observe that we have directed that the funeral should be a public one, and that a monument to the memory of the deceased should be erected in St. Paul's Cathedral at Calcutta at the public charge.

5. The assassin, who is said to have been living for the last two years at a mosque in Calcutta, is in custody, and we shall inform Your Grace of the result of the judicial proceedings that are now being instituted, and of any particulars that may be elicited as to the motives that actuated the commisson of the crime, which are at present, however, unknown. We cannot conclude this despatch without giving expression to our profound sorrow for the sad event that has occurred, and our high respect for the character of the deceased.

We have, &c.,

MAYO.
NAPIER OF MAGDALA.
JOHN STRACHEY.
R. TEMPLE.
J. F. STEPHEN.
B. H. ELLIS.
H. W. NORMAN.

Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State, to the Government of India,—(Judicial,) No. 51, *dated the 9th November* 1871.

My Lord,—The public despatch of your Excellency in Council dated 26th September, No. 99 of 1871, conveying the painful intelligence of the murder, by a Punjabee Mahomedan, of the Hon'ble John Paxton Norman, Officiating Chief Justice of Her Majesty's High Court at Fort William, has been considered by me in Council.

2. I fully sympathise in the profound sorrow expressed by your Lordship in Council for this sad event, and in the high respect entertained by your Government for the character of this distinguished and lamented gentleman.

3. I fully approve of the orders issued by your Excellency in Council relative to the funeral of the deceased, and to the erection of a monument to his memory in St. Paul's Cathedral at Calcutta.

4. I will await a further despatch from your Lordship in Council relative to the judicial proceedings instituted against the perpetrator of this crime.

I have, &c.,

ARGYLL.

Note.—*The foregoing despatch was published for general information in Notification No.* 2081, *dated* 21*st December* 1871, *See* Gazette of India, *Part I., dated* 23*rd December* 1871, *page* 980. *It was also communicated to the High Court.*

81.

THE VEN'BLE J. H. PRATT, Archdeacon of Calcutta. 28th December 1871.

GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 12.

HOME DEPARTMENT (ECCLESIASTICAL).

Fort William, Thursday, the 11th January 1872.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Governor General in Council has received with deep regret official intimation of the death of the Venerable the Archdeacon of Calcutta, the Reverend J. H. Pratt, on the 28th ultimo, at Ghazeepore, in the North-Western Provinces.

The Governor General in Council cannot allow the death of Archdeacon Pratt to pass unnoticed by the Government which he served so long and so well.

Mr. Pratt entered the service in the year 1838, and was appointed Archdeacon of Calcutta by the late Bishop Wilson on the 6th October 1849.

Under the ordinary rules of the service Mr. Pratt would have retired in October 1867, but so efficiently had he filled his high office in the Church that he was solicited by Government, with the full approval of Her Majesty's Secretary of State, to continue to hold it.

In adopting this course the Government was moved not only by its own appreciation of the Archdeacon's services, but by the strong recommendation of the late Bishop Cotton, who bore testimony to Archdeacon Pratt's eminent scientific attainments and university distinctions, to the active part which he had taken in the management of the diocese and in the promotion of all good works, and to his personal piety and high Christian character.

At a later date Her Majesty's Secretary of State, in sanctioning the retention of Archdeacon Pratt in the service until October 1872, remarked—"I cannot refrain from expressing the high sense I entertain, in common with the present Bishop of Calcutta, the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, and Your Excellency in Council, of the zeal and ability with which he has for so many years faithfully and laboriously discharged the duties of his office."

The Governor General in Council feels assured that the death of the Venerable Archdeacon will be mourned by the entire Christian community in India.

By Order of the Governor General of India in Council,

ARTHUR HOWELL,
for *Secy. to the Govt. of India.*

82.

His Excellency Rear Admiral J. H. Cockburn, Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's Naval Forces in India. 10th February 1872.

THE GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

Fort William, Saturday, the 10th February 1872.

NOTIFICATION.

The Governor General in Council announces, with deep regret, the death, at twenty-five minutes past three this afternoon, of His Excellency Rear Admiral James H. Cockburn, Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's Naval Forces in the East Indies.

By this lamented event the Royal Navy is deprived of the services of a gallant and distinguished Officer, and the Government of India loses one whose aid and advice it highly valued.

It is requested that all officers off duty at the Presidency will attend the funeral of the late Admiral Cockburn.

The flag of Fort William will be hoisted half mast high until the funeral has taken place, and thirteen minute guns will be fired from the Ramparts at the time of the ceremony.

The Brigadier General commanding the Presidency District will make all necessary arrangements for the funeral procession, which will leave Government House at four o'clock to-morrow afternoon for the Military Burial Ground at Bhowanipore.

By Order of the Governor General of India in Council,

H. K. BURNE, *Colonel,*
Secy. to the Govt. of India, Marine Department.

83.

His Excellency the Right Hon'ble the Earl of Mayo, K. P., G. M. S. I., Viceroy and Governor General of India. 8th February 1872.

THE GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 735.

Home Department (Public).

Fort William, Monday, the 12th February 1872.

NOTIFICATION.

The Government of India announces with inexpressible grief that the Viceroy and Governor General of India was assassinated at Port Blair at 7 P. M. on the 8th instant.

The assassin was a convict under sentence of transportation for life. He broke through the guard and stabbed the Viceroy as His Excellency was on the point of embarking after inspecting the station.

The country has lost a Statesman who discharged the highest duties, which Her Majesty can intrust to any of her subjects, with entire self-devotion and with abilities equal to the task.

Those who were honoured by the Earl of Mayo's friendship, and especially those whose pride it was to be associated with him in public affairs, have sustained a loss of which they cannot trust themselves to speak.

The Government of India, therefore, abstains at present from saying anything on this great calamity.

Under the provisions of the Indian Councils' Act, Section 50, the office of Viceroy and Governor General devolves upon His Excellency the Right Hon'ble Francis Baron Napier of Merchistoun. Orders will be given in a separate notification as to the marks of respect to be shown to the memory of the Earl of Mayo.

By Order,

E. C. BAYLEY,

Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Note.—The foregoing Notification was telegraphed to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India; Governor of Madras; Governor of Bombay; Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces; Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab; Chief Commissioner of Oudh; Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces; Chief Commissioner of British Burmah; Chief Commissioner of Mysore; Resident at Hyderabad; Governor General's Agent, Central India; Governor General's Agent, Rajpootana; the Commander-in-Chief; Resident at Nepal; and the Bishop of Calcutta.

Telegram dated the 13th February 1872.

From—Hon'ble J. Strachey.

To—Her Majesty's Secretary of State.

Lord Napier has informed me that he will not assume office till he reaches Calcutta, which cannot be before Saturday or Sunday. I have, therefore, assumed office of Acting Governor General till his arrival.

This is in accordance with precedent on Lord Elgin's death approved by Sir Charles Wood's Public despatch of 16th February 1864.

THE GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 751.

Home Department (Public).

Fort William, Tuesday, the 13th February 1872.

NOTIFICATION.

Whereas His Excellency the Right Hon'ble Lord Napier of Merchistoun, upon whom the office of Governor General of India has devolved under Section 50 of the Indian Councils' Act, has declared that it is not his intention to assume the said office until he shall have taken his seat in Council; it is hereby notified, in accordance with Section 51 of the said Act, and Section 62 of the Act of 3rd and 4th years of King William the Fourth, Cap. 85, that the office of Acting Governor General has devolved upon the Hon'ble John Strachey, Senior Ordinary Member of Council, until His Excellency's arrival.

No. 752.

With reference to the great public calamity announced in yesterday's *Gazette Extraordinary*, the Acting Governor General in Council directs that the flag of Fort William be hoisted half-mast high until further orders.

Forty-nine minute guns will be fired from the ramparts of Fort William this afternoon, the last gun to be fired at sun-set.

Similar marks of respect will be paid on receipt of this notification at the respective seats of Government and at all the principal military stations in India.

The Acting Governor General in Council directs that all the officers of Her Majesty's Civil, Military, and Marine Services do put themselves into mourning for a period of one month, and invites all classes of Her Majesty's subjects in India to join in this tribute of respect to the memory of the late Earl Mayo.

Further orders will be issued on the arrival of the remains of the late Viceroy, now on their way to Calcutta.

No. 764.

THE following telegram, received from His Excellency the Governor of Madras, is published for general information:

Telegram dated the 13th February 1872.

From—LORD NAPIER, Madras.

To—The HON'BLE J. STRACHEY, Calcutta.

IN acknowledging the receipt of a telegram from the Hon'ble B. H. Ellis of this date, from Saugor Island, and of one from the Home Secretary at Calcutta, reporting the death of HIS EXCELLENCY THE EARL OF MAYO by the hand of an assassin at Port Blair, I have to convey to you, on my part and on the part of the Government, our deep sense of the irreparable loss which the country has suffered by an act so criminal and deplorable. We offer to the Government of India the assurance of our heartfelt sympathy.

By Order,

E. C. BAYLEY,

Secy. to the Govt. of India.

NOTE.—The foregoing Notifications were telegraphed to the Governor of Madras; the Governor of Bombay; the Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces; Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab; the Chief Commissioner of Oudh; the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces; the Chief Commissioner of British Burmah; the Chief Commissioner of Mysore; the Governor General's Agent, Rajpootana; the Governor General's Agent, Central India; the Resident at Hyderabad; the Resident at Nepal; and the Bishop of Calcutta.

The notification No. 752 was also communicated to the Military Department with a request "that the necessary orders may be issued in the Military and Marine Departments."

THE CALCUTTA GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

Fort William, Tuesday, the 13th February 1872.

NOTIFICATION.

THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR announces with inexpressible grief and pain to the people of these Provinces that the VICEROY AND GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA died on the 8th instant, at the Andamans, from wounds inflicted by a convict.

This sad event was announced by a *Gazette Extraordinary* of the Government of India, a copy of which is annexed.

The LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR feels sure that not only all officers of Government, but all private subjects, European and Native, will unite with him in deploring the untimely end of one who was not only a distinguished statesman and a most able and successful representative of HER MAJESTY, but was endeared as an individual to all who knew him from his rare personal qualities.

The Hon'ble J. STRACHEY, under the provisions of the law, acts as Governor General till the arrival of HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HON'BLE FRANCIS BARON NAPIER OF MERCHISTOUN. Copy of the Notification on this subject is annexed.

The Acting Governor General in Council has directed a general mourning for the late VICEROY in a Notification, of which a copy is also annexed.

The LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR is sure that he need do no more than make known this mode in which respect may be shown for the memory of the deceased VICEROY.

RIVERS THOMPSON,
Secretary to the Government of Bengal.

Despatch from the Government of India, to His Grace the Right Hon'ble the DUKE OF ARGYLL, K. T., *Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India,—No.* 6 *(Public), dated Fort William, the* 16*th February* 1872.

MY LORD DUKE,—The telegraph has conveyed to Your Grace intelligence of the great calamity that has overtaken the country. No words of ours could add to the sense which we are aware Your Grace must entertain of the gravity of this melancholy event, or could adequately express our own feelings.

2. We enclose a copy of the Notification* by which we have announced the death of the Earl of Mayo to the public.

Gazette of India Extraordinary, dated Monday, the 12th February 1872.

3. We also enclose a copy of the Extra Supplement to the *Gazette of India*, dated February 13th, which contains a statement of facts relating to the lamented death of the late Viceroy. We shall forward an account of the trial of the assassin when we receive an official report of it, with any further particulars which may come to our knowledge. The accompanying telegram from the Commissioner of Pehawur gives all the particulars known of the assassin.

4. Under the provisions of the Indian Councils' Act, Section 50, the office of Viceroy and Governor General devolves upon His Excellency the Right Hon'ble Lord Napier, Governor of Madras, and the senior Governor in India. His Excellency has informed us that it is not his intention to assume the said office until he shall have taken his seat in Council. In accordance with Section 51 of the said Act, and Section 62 of 3 and 4 William IV., Cap. 85, the office of Acting Governor General has, therefore, devolved upon the Hon'ble John Strachey, Senior Ordinary Member of the Council, until His Excellency's arrival. We enclose a copy of our Notification* on the subject, together with copy of another† directing marks of respect to be shewn to the memory of the late Viceroy.

* No. 751, dated 13th February 1872.
† „ 752, „ „ „ „

We have, &c.,

JOHN STRACHEY.
NAPIER OF MAGDALA.
R. TEMPLE.
J. F. STEPHEN.
B. H. ELLIS.
H. W. NORMAN.

THE GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 801.

HOME DEPARTMENT (PUBLIC).

Fort William, Friday, the 16th February 1872.

NOTIFICATION.

THE following telegram from the Right Hon'ble the Secretary of State is published for general information :

Telegram, dated 2-30 A. M., the 15th February 1872.

From—The Secretary of State for India, London.

To—The Acting Governor General of India, Calcutta.

I HAVE learnt with the deepest grief that HIS EXCELLENCY THE EARL OF MAYO, Viceroy and Governor General of India, was on the 8th instant assassinated by a convict at Port Blair in the Andaman Islands, whilst His Lordship was on an official visit of inspection to the convict establishment there. In this calamitous event Her Majesty's Government has to deplore the loss, in the prime of life and in the midst of his career, of a statesman whose faithful and laborious discharge of the duties of his great office was animated by the warmest loyalty to his Sovereign, by constant devotion to the interests of her Indian subjects, and by a sincere desire to conduct with justice and consideration the relations of the Queen's Government with the Native Princes and States of India. LORD MAYO's exertions for these ends have been marked with great success, and have not been surpassed by the most zealous labours of any of his most distinguished predecessors at the head of the Government of India. The painful impression produced by this most melancholy catastrophe is so fresh, and my information relating to it so scanty, that I confine this despatch to an expression of the deep sorrow felt by my colleagues in the Council of India and by myself at the loss of this eminent public servant.

By Order,
E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

NOTE.—The foregoing Notification was telegraphed to the Governor of Madras; the Governor of Bombay; the Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces; the Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab; the Chief Commissioner of Oudh; the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces; the Chief Commissioner of British Burmah; the Chief Commissioner of Mysore; Resident at Hyderabad; Resident at Nepal; the Governor General's Agent, Rajpootana; and the Governor General's Agent, Central India.

THE GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 814.

HOME DEPARTMENT (PUBLIC).

Fort William, Friday, the 16th February 1872.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Acting Governor General in Council directs that the General Treasury and all Public Offices shall be closed to-morrow in token of respect to the memory of the late VICEROY, whose remains will be landed during the afternoon of that day.

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

THE GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 815.

HOME DEPARTMENT (PUBLIC).

Fort William, the 16th February 1872.

NOTIFICATION.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE ACTING GOVERNOR GENERAL IN COUNCIL notifies for public information the following arrangements for the reception in Calcutta of the remains of HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HON'BLE THE EARL OF MAYO, late Viceroy and Governor General of India.

HER MAJESTY'S Ship *Daphne*, conveying the remains, will arrive within the limits of the Port of Calcutta during the afternoon of Saturday the 17th instant.

A Deputation, consisting of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, with his Personal Staff, the Hon'ble B. H. Ellis and the Hon'ble Major-General Norman, C. B., Members of Council, with the Secretaries to the Government of India in the Home and Military Departments, and the Personal Staff of the late VICEROY, will proceed down the river to meet the *Daphne*, and will accompany the remains to the point where the Procession will be formed.

His Excellency the Acting Governor General, His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, the Chief Justice of Bengal, the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Calcutta, and the Ordinary Members of the Council of the Governor General, will be present at Prinsep's Ghaut to receive the remains of HIS EXCELLENCY LORD MAYO, and to escort them to Government House. The head of the Procession, which will be formed at 4 P. M., will rest upon the Strand Road opposite Prinsep's Ghaut, extending along the road leading to Kidderpore Bridge. A Battery of Royal Artillery will be placed near Prinsep's Ghaut, from which twenty-one minute guns will be fired on the arrival of the Coffin. After the last gun has been fired from the Battery, twenty-one minute guns will be fired from the Fort.

While the minute guns are firing, the Procession will start from Prinsep's Ghaut, and proceed on foot (except as otherwise specified below) by way of the Strand Road, round the southern end of the Eden Gardens to Government House.

The Procession will move in the following order :

An Officer of the Quarter Master General's Department (mounted).

A Detachment of 1st Bengal Cavalry (mounted).

The escort consisting of the Calcutta Volunteer Rifle Corps, with arms reversed, with the Bands of Her Majesty's 14th and 107th Regiments, the Bands playing a Funeral March.

The Viceroy's Band.

The Body Guard (dismounted).

Clergy of Fort and Cathedral Churches.

The Chaplain to the late Viceroy.

Dr. J. Fayrer, C. S. I.

Col. G. Delane, Comdg. Body-Guard.

Capt. F. H. Gregory, A-D-C.

Dr. O. Barnett, Surgeon to the Viceroy.

Col. T. James, C. B.

Capt. H. B. Lockwood, A-D-C.

The Earl of Donoughmore.

Capt. T. M. Jones, R. N., H. M.'s Ship "Glasgow."

THE BODY borne on a gun-carriage of the Royal Artillery.

Lieut T. Deane, Adjt. Body-Guard.

Capt. R. H. Grant, A-D-C.

Subadar Major and Sirdar Bahadoor Sewbuccus Awusty, A-D-C.

Capt. C. L. C. deRobeck, A-D-C.

Col. Jervois, C. B., R. E.

Lieut. C. Hawkins, R. N., Naval A-D-C.

Major O. T. Burne, Private Secretary.

Chief Mourners.

The Hon'ble Terence Bourke.

The Hon'ble R. Bourke, M. P. Major the Hon'ble E. R. Bourke.

His Excellency the Viceroy's Charger.

Confidential Clerk to His Excellency the Viceroy.

His Excellency's Personal Servants.

Registrars and Clerks of Government House Offices.

The Viceroy's Native Personal Servants.

Sailors, Marines, and Marine Artillery of Her Majesty's Ships *Glasgow* and *Daphne*.

Officers of Her Majesty's Ships *Glasgow* and *Daphne*.

His Excellency the Acting Governor General.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal. His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

The Chief Justice of Bengal. The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Calcutta. The Most Reverend the Archbishop and Vicar-Apostolic of Western Bengal.

The Ordinary Members of the Council of the Governor General.

The Puisne Judges of the High Court of Judicature.

The Additional Members of the Council of the Governor General.

Native Princes.

Consuls General. The Chief Commissioner of British Burmah.

Consuls, and Agents of Foreign Powers.

The Secretaries to the Government of India.

The Members of the Council of the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.

The Adjutant General and Quarter Master General of the Army and Deputy Adjutant General of Royal Artillery.

The Inspectors General of Hospitals, British and Indian Medical Departments.

The Secretaries to the Government of Bengal.

Personal Staff of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.

Personal Staff of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

The Advocate General, the Standing Counsel, the Solicitor to Government, and the Bar of the High Court.

Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Justices of the Peace for the Town of Calcutta.

Agents and superior Officers of Railways.

Members of the Press.

President and Vice-President and Deputation of the Chamber of Commerce.

The Master and Deputation of the Trades' Association.

The President and Deputation of the Landholders' Association.

President and Deputation of the British Indian Association.

President and Deputation of the Mahomedan Literary Association.

Provincial Grand Master and Deputation of the Freemasons of Bengal.

The Clergy and Ministers of the Churches of Calcutta.

Civil, Military, and Naval Officers of Government not named above.

Members of the general community of Calcutta.

The Master Attendant, Deputy and Assistant Master Attendants.

Captains, Officers, and Deputations of four Sailors from each of the Ships in Port.

Detachment 1st Bengal Cavalry.

The Procession will, except as otherwise directed, be drawn up eight abreast.

The road from Prinsep's Ghaut to Government House will be lined by the following troops under the orders of the Brigadier General Commanding the Presidency District:

H. M.'s 1st Battalion 14th Foot, H. M.'s 107th Regiment, 8th Regiment Native Infantry, 10th Regiment Native Infantry, and 13th Regiment Native Infantry.

The Procession will approach Government House by the north-west gate; the escort, Sailors and Marines, will form up on either side of the road within the gates, and the Coffin will be halted opposite the centre of the Grand Staircase. On the approach of the Procession, twenty-one minute guns will be fired from a Battery of Royal Artillery drawn up at Government House.

The portion of the Procession ending with the Personal Staff of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief will remain with the Coffin. The remainder of the Procession will file past the Coffin, and then

pass out of Government House by the north-east gate. The public ceremonial will then close, and the Coffin will be removed into Government House.

Gentlemen intending to join the Procession should be in their places not later than 4 P. M.

Officers entitled to wear uniform will appear in full dress, with sword-knots covered with crape and black bands on left arm, and Military sashes will be craped.

European and Native gentlemen not entitled to wear uniform are requested to appear in mourning according to their respective customs.

Admission to the Procession will be by tickets; those for the general community of Calcutta will be distributed at the Bengal Secretariat, and those for Officers and Sailors of Vessels in Port will be distributed at the Master Attendant's Office; all others by the Foreign Office.

By Order,

E. C. BAYLEY,

Secy. to the Govt. of India.

THE GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 817.

HOME DEPARTMENT (PUBLIC).

Fort William, Saturday, the 17th February 1872.

NOTIFICATION.

THE ACTING GOVERNOR GENERAL notifies for public information that the remains of His EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HON'BLE THE EARL OF MAYO, late Viceroy and Governor General of India, will lie in State in the Throne-room of Government House from half-past six to half-past ten A. M., and from three to six P. M., on Monday the 19th and Tuesday the 20th February.

On each day, and during the period mentioned, all who desire to pay this last token of their personal respect to THE LATE VICEROY AND GOVERNOR GENERAL will be admitted to view the Lying-in-State.

The admission will be by tickets, which will be given at the north-east gate, on application. Visitors will alight at the north-east gate, and will proceed on foot to the grand staircase. After viewing the Lying-in-State they will proceed on foot through Government House to the south-west gate, where carriages will be arranged by the Police.

Military Officers will appear in full dress, with the mourning ordered to be worn on the occasion of the reception of the remains of the late VICEROY.

By Order,

E. C. BAYLEY,

Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Despatch from the Government of India, to His Grace the Right Hon'ble the DUKE OF ARGYLL, K. T., *Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India,—No. 7 (Public), dated Fort William, the 20th February* 1872.

MY LORD DUKE,—IN continuation of our despatch No. 6, dated the 16th instant, we enclose for Your Grace's information copy of three other Notifications that have been issued regarding marks of respect to the memory of His Excellency the late Viceroy:

Notification No. 814, dated 16th February, directing the Public Offices to be closed on the 17th idem.

Notification No. 815, dated 16th February, prescribing the necessary arrangements for the reception of the remains of the late Viceroy.

Notification No. 817, dated 17th February, intimating that His Excellency's remains will lie in State at Government House on the 19th and 20th instant.

2. The great respect entertained by the entire community for the late Viceroy was most emphatically evinced by the immense number of persons who either joined in the procession that followed the remains from Prinsep's Ghaut to Government House, or lined the roads and the houses overlooking the roads by which the procession passed. Every class of the community was represented in the procession, and the ceremonial was throughout most decorous and solemn.

We have, &c.,

JOHN STRACHEY.
NAPIER OF MAGDALA.
R. TEMPLE.
J. F. STEPHEN.
B. H. ELLIS.
H. W. NORMAN.

THE GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 826.

HOME DEPARTMENT (PUBLIC).

Fort William, Tuesday, the 20th February 1872.

NOTIFICATION.

THE ACTING GOVERNOR GENERAL IN COUNCIL directs the publication, for general information, of the following message which he has received from the Secretary of State for India on the part of Her Most Gracious Majesty the QUEEN:

"I am commanded by the QUEEN to forward the following message for publication in India:

"'The QUEEN has been deeply affected by the intelligence of the deplorable calamity which has so suddenly deprived all classes of her subjects in India of the able, vigilant, and impartial rule of one who so faithfully represented her as Viceroy of her Eastern Empire. Her Majesty feels that she has indeed lost a devoted servant and a loyal subject in whom she reposed the fullest confidence. To LADY MAYO

the loss must be irreparable, and the QUEEN heartily sympathises with her under the terrible blow.'"

By Order,

E. C. BAYLEY,

Secy. to the Govt. of India.

NOTE.—The foregoing Notification was telegraphed to the Governor of Madras; the Governor of Bombay; the Lieutenant-Governor, North-Western Provinces; the Lieutenant-Governor, Punjab; the Chief Commissioner of Oudh; the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces; the Chief Commissioner of British Burmah; the Chief Commissioner of Mysore; Resident at Hyderabad; Resident at Nepal (through Commissioner of Patna); the Governor General's Agent, Rajpootana; and the Governor General's Agent, Central India.

THE GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 825.

HOME DEPARTMENT (PUBLIC).

Fort William, Tuesday, the 20th February 1872.

NOTIFICATION.

THE ACTING GOVERNOR GENERAL IN COUNCIL notifies that the remains of His EXCELLENCY THE EARL OF MAYO, late Viceroy and Governor General of India, will be removed from Government House and conveyed on board Her Majesty's Ship *Daphne* early on the morning of Wednesday, the 21st February.

The ceremonial will be conducted as follows:

Twenty-one minute guns, commencing at sun-rise, will be fired from the batteries of Fort William.

The Coffin having been placed on a gun-carriage at the foot of the grand staircase of Government House, a Funeral Service will be performed at 7 A. M. by the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Calcutta.

Places will be allotted, without regard to precedence of rank, to members of the Christian community of Calcutta on the steps of the grand staircase. The number of these will of necessity be limited by considerations of space. The platform in the centre of the staircase will be reserved for the Bishop of Calcutta, the Officiating Clergy, the Choir, and the Christian members of the Procession which will accompany the Coffin to the place of embarkation. All other persons desirous of witnessing the ceremony will be provided with places on the north-east and north-west sides of the Government House enclosure. Places should be occupied by 6·30 A. M.

At the conclusion of the Funeral Service, the public ceremonial will be considered to have closed. The congregation on the grand staircase, as well as those who have places in the enclosure, will, however, retain their places while the Coffin, under the military and naval escort, and accompanied by the Procession detailed below, is

conveyed through the north entrance of Government House towards the place of embarkation in the following order:

Officers of the Quarter Master General's Department.

A detachment of 1st Bengal Cavalry (mounted).

The escort, consisting of the Calcutta Volunteer Rifle Corps, with arms reversed, with the Bands of Her Majesty's 14th and 107th Regiments,—the Bands playing "The Dead March in Saul."

The Viceroy's Band.

The Body Guard (dismounted).

The Viceroy's Chaplain. The Lord Bishop. The Domestic Chaplain.

Col. G. Delane, Comdg. Body Guard.

Capt. F. H. Gregory, A-D-C.

Dr. O. Barnett.

Capt. H. B. Lockwood, A-D-C.

Capt. T. M. Jones, R. N.

Col. T. James, C. B.

Lieut. C. Hawkins, R. N.

THE BODY borne on a gun-carriage of the Royal Artillery.

Lieut. T. Deane.

Capt. R. H. Grant, A-D-C.

Subadar-Major and Sirdar Bahadoor Sewbuccus Awusty, A-D-C.

Capt. C. L. C. deRobeck, A-D-C.

Col. W. Jervois, R. E.

Dr. J. Fayrer, C. S. I.

The Earl of Donoughmore.

Major O. T. Burne, Private Secretary.

Chief Mourners.

The Hon'ble Terence Bourke.

The Hon'ble R. Bourke, M. P. Major the Hon'ble E. R. Bourke.

Sailors, Marines, and Marine Artillery of Her Majesty's Ships *Glasgow* and *Daphne*.

Officers of Her Majesty's Ships *Glasgow* and *Daphne*.

His Excellency the Acting Governor General.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal. His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

The Chief Justice of Bengal. The Most Reverend the Archbishop and Vicar-Apostolic of Western Bengal.

The Ordinary Members of the Council of the Governor General.

Consuls General. The Chief Commissioner of British Burmah.

Consuls and Agents of Foreign Powers.

Two representatives from, respectively—

The Civil Service.

The Bar of the High Court.

The Justices of the Peace for the Town of Calcutta.

The Chamber of Commerce.

The Trades' Association.

The Landholders' Association.

The British Indian Association.

The Mahomedan Literary Association.

The Freemasons of Bengal.

The British Mercantile Service.

Foreign Mercantile Service.

One representative of each of the Daily Newspapers.

The Secretaries to the Government of India.

The Adjutant General and Quarter Master General of the Army.

Personal Staff of His Excellency the Acting Governor General, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, and His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

A detachment of 1st Bengal Cavalry.

On the Coffin leaving Government House, twenty-one minute guns will be fired from a battery of Royal Artillery in Dalhousie Square.

The route,—which will be along Wellesley Place, the south-west angle of Dalhousie Square, Coilah Ghaut Street, and the Strand, to the Custom House Jetty,—will be lined throughout with troops under the orders of the Brigadier-General Commanding the Presidency District.

On reaching the entrance of the Jetty enclosure, the horses will be removed from the gun-carriage, which will then be drawn along the Jetty by a detachment of sailors. The escort will remain outside the enclosure, the Procession accompanying the Coffin to the river side. When the Coffin has been received on board, the escort and troops will be marched off under the orders of the Brigadier-General Commanding.

Her Majesty's Ship *Daphne* will then steam down the river, receiving a royal salute from the batteries of Fort William on passing Fort Point.

That evening forty-nine minute guns will be fired from the Fort: the last gun to be fired, and the flag to be dropped, as the sun sets.

It is considered desirable to explain that the route selected for the line of march on Wednesday, the 21st, is so short, and the space at the point of embarkation so restricted, that it has been found necessary to very greatly reduce the numbers of those joining the Procession.

Admission to the ceremony will be by tickets. Those for the Procession and grand staircase will be distributed by the Foreign Office on application from 2 to 6 P. M. to-day; those for the area of the north-east and north-west sides of Government House, by the Bengal Secretariat.

Officers entitled to wear uniform will appear in full dress, with the mourning ordered to be worn on the occasion of the reception of the remains of the late Viceroy.

European and Native gentlemen not entitled to wear uniform are requested to appear in mourning, according to their respective customs.

By Order,

E. C. BAYLEY,

Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Despatch from the Government of India, to His Grace the Right Hon'ble the DUKE OF ARGYLL, K. T., *Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India,—No.* 11 *(Public), dated Fort William, the* 21*st February* 1872.

MY LORD DUKE,—In continuation of our despatch No. 7, dated the 20th instant, we beg to inform Your Grace that the remains of His Excellency the Earl of Mayo, late Viceroy and Governor General of India, after lying in state for two days, were removed this morning from Government House and conveyed on board Her Majesty's Ship *Daphne*.

2. The ceremonial observed on the occasion is explained in our Notification No. 825, dated the 20th instant, a copy of which accompanies this despatch.

We have, &c.,

JOHN STRACHEY.
NAPIER OF MAGDALA.
R. TEMPLE.
J. F. STEPHEN.
B. H. ELLIS.
H. W. NORMAN.

THE GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 838.

HOME DEPARTMENT (PUBLIC).

Fort William, the 20*th February* 1872.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Acting Governor General in Council directs that every mark of distinction and respect shall continue to be paid to Her Excellency the Countess of Mayo while Her Excellency may remain in India. The requisite guards and escorts will be furnished, and public officers are charged with the duty of fulfilling the anxious desire of the Government of India that nothing shall be omitted which can tend in any way to promote Her Excellency's dignity and convenience.

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

COPY forwarded to the Government of Bengal for information and guidance.

Copy forwarded by Telegraph to the Governments of Bombay and the North-Western Provinces for information and guidance.

Telegraphed also to the Governor of Madras; the Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab; the Chief Commissioners of Oudh, British Burmah, and Mysore; the Resident at Hyderabad; the Resident at Nepal (through Commissioner of Patna); and the Governor General's Agents in Rajpootana and Central India.

THE GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 882.

HOME DEPARTMENT (PUBLIC).

Fort William, Thursday, the 22nd February 1872.

NOTIFICATION.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HON'BLE BARON NAPIER OF MERCHISTOUN, K. T., is expected to arrive in Calcutta in the Steam Ship *Patna* on Friday, the 23rd, to assume the office of Viceroy and Governor General of India.

The Secretary to the Government of India in the Home Department, the Military Secretary to the Acting Governor General, and an Aide-de-Camp to the Acting Governor General, will proceed down the river in the *Sir William Peel* to wait upon THE RIGHT HON'BLE BARON NAPIER OF MERCHISTOUN.

When the *Patna* passes Atcheepore, five guns will be fired from Fort William.

The *Patna* will anchor near the Dockyard.

At 4½ o'clock P. M. the Secretaries to the Government of India will wait upon THE RIGHT HON'BLE BARON NAPIER OF MERCHISTOUN on board the *Patna*.

His Excellency will be conveyed from the *Patna* to Chandpal Ghaut in the Yacht *Sonamúkhí*.

His Excellency will land at Chandpal Ghaut at 5½ P. M., or about that time. Upon landing, His Excellency will be received by the Secretary to the Government of Bengal, the Commissioner of Police, the Master Attendant, and the Sheriff of Calcutta. When His Excellency lands, a salute of 21 guns will be fired from the ramparts of Fort William.

The RIGHT HON'BLE BARON NAPIER OF MERCHISTOUN will then proceed to Government House, where His Excellency will be received at the foot of the Great Entrance by the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, and at the head of the steps by the Acting Governor General and the Members of the Governor General's Council.

All the Civil Officers of the Government and the whole of the Garrison and General Staff, as well as other Officers on duty at the Presidency, are requested to be in attendance at Government House at 5 P. M., upon this occasion, in full uniform or evening dress.

When HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HON'BLE BARON NAPIER OF MERCHISTOUN shall have taken his seat as Viceroy and Governor General in Council, a further salute of 21 guns will be fired from the ramparts of Fort William.

No. 883.

The following Garrison Order is published for general information:

"*Presidency District Order by Brigadier General* W. L. INGALL, C. B., *Commanding Presidency District, dated Fort William, the 22nd February* 1872.

No. 113.

"Under instructions from Army Head Quarters, the whole of the Troops in Garrison (1st Battalion 14th Foot, 107th Regiment, 8th and 13th Native Infantry, and Detachment 10th Native Infantry) will

parade in review order between Chandpal Ghaut and Government House at 5 P. M. to-morrow, the 23rd instant, for the reception of His Excellency the Right Hon'ble Francis Baron Napier of Merchistoun, K. T.

"A wing of the 1-14th Foot, with Band and Colors, under command of a Field Officer, will be drawn up facing the river at Chandpal Ghaut to receive His Excellency on landing.

"The road running from Chandpal Ghaut in front of the new High Court buildings to the north-west gate of Government House will be lined with troops in single ranks as follows,—the 8th Native Infantry with its flanks resting on the Ghaut, the extension continued by the 13th Native Infantry, and concluded by the Detachment 10th Native Infantry.

"A wing of the 107th Regiment with Band and Colors, under command of a Field Officer, will be drawn up facing the Grand Staircase of Government House to receive His Excellency on arrival. The remainder of the 1-14th Foot and 107th Regiment will form a street from the north-west gate to the Grand Staircase.

"A salute of 21 guns will be fired from the ramparts of Fort William as His Excellency lands at Chandpal Ghaut, and a further salute of 21 guns will be fired when His Excellency the Right Hon'ble Baron Napier of Merchistoun shall have taken his seat as Viceroy and Governor General in Council.

By Order,

A. J. COLVIN BIRCH, *Captain,*
Brigade Major."

By Order of the Acting Governor General in Council,

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 920.

Home Department (Public).

Fort William, the 23rd February 1872.

PROCLAMATION.

Whereas the death of the Right Hon'ble the Earl of Mayo, K. P., G. M. S. I., has caused a vacancy in the office of Governor General of India; And whereas it has been provided by the 50th Section of the Act 24 and 25 Vic., Cap. 67, that "if any vacancy shall happen in the office of Governor General of India when no provisional successor shall be in India to supply such vacancy, then, and in every such case, the Governor of the Presidency of Fort St. George, or the Governor of the Presidency of Bombay, who shall have been first appointed to the office of Governor by Her Majesty, shall hold and execute the said office of Governor General of India, and Governor of the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal, until a successor shall arrive or until some person in India shall be duly appointed thereto;" And whereas there is not in India any provisional successor to supply the vacancy in the office of Governor General of India, It is hereby proclaimed that His Excellency the Right Hon'ble Francis Baron Napier of Merchistoun, K. T., Governor of the Presidency of Fort St. George,

has this day assumed the office of Viceroy and Governor General of India and Governor of the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal.

His Excellency BARON NAPIER OF MERCHISTOUN, K. T., has this day taken the oaths and his seat in His Excellency's Council under a salute of twenty-one guns from the ramparts of Fort William.

By Order of the Governor General in Council,

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ORDERED, that the foregoing Proclamation be read at the head of the troops of the garrison of Fort William under a salute of twenty-one guns and three vollies of small arms.

Ordered also, that the Proclamation be read at the head of the troops in the different garrisons and at all the principal military stations under a salute of twenty-one guns.

Nos. 921 to 924.

Ordered, that a copy of the Proclamation, and of the foregoing orders, be sent for information to the Military, Foreign, Financial, and Public Works Departments, whence such further orders as may be necessary will be issued forthwith.

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 925.

Dated the 23rd February 1872.

From—E. C. BAYLEY, ESQ., C. S. I., Secy. to the Govt. of India, Home Dept.

To—JOHN COWIE, ESQ., Sheriff of Calcutta.

I AM directed by His Excellency the Governor General in Council to desire that you will proceed in the proper form, attended by your Peace Officers, to the Court House of the High Court, Calcutta, and then and there duly publish, or cause to be published, the Proclamation of which I herewith transmit to you a copy. You are further desired to return the said document into my Office, with a regular endorsement of the due execution of the present orders signed by you.

Telegram, dated the 23rd February 1872.

From—Home Secretary, Calcutta.
To—Chief Secretary to Government of Madras.
" " Bombay.
To—Secretary to the Government of Punjab, Lahore.
" " N. W. P., Allahabad.
To—Chief Commissioner of Oudh.
" of Central Provinces, Nagpore.
" of British Burmah.
" of Mysore.
To—Resident at Hyderabad.

THE Right Hon'ble FRANCIS BARON NAPIER OF MERCHISTOUN assumed the office of Governor General of India to-day.

Nos. 926 to 930.

Dated the 23rd February 1872.

From—E. C. BAYLEY, ESQ., C. S. I., Secy. to the Govt. of India, Home Dept.
To—The Secy. to the Govt. of Madras.
To—The Secy. to the Govt. of Bombay.
To—The Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.
To—The Secy. to the Govt. of the North-Western Provinces.
To—The Secy. to the Govt. of the Punjab.

I AM directed to acquaint you for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council / His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor that, in conformity with the provisions of the 50th Section of the Act 24 and 25 Victoria, Cap. 67, His Excellency the Right Hon'ble FRANCIS BARON NAPIER OF MERCHISTOUN, K. T., Governor of the Presidency of Fort St. George, has this day assumed the office of Viceroy and Governor General of India, and has taken the customary oaths and his seat in the Council of the Governor General of India.

I have, &c.,
E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

NOTE.—Similar letters, with the necessary verbal alterations, were sent to the Chief Commissioners of Oudh, Central Provinces, British Burmah, Mysore and Coorg; the Resident at Hyderabad; the Hon'ble the Secretary to the Government of the Straits Settlements; the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief; and the Secretary to the Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's Naval Forces in the East India and China Stations.

84.

THE HONOURABLE DWARKA NATH MITTER, one of the Judges of Her Majesty's High Court at Fort William. 25th February 1874.

No. 353.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

(JUDICIAL).

Fort William, the 6th March 1874.

HIS Excellency the Governor General in Council has received with great regret official intimation of the death of the Honourable Dwarka Nath Mitter, one of the Judges of Her Majesty's High Court at Fort William. The Chief Justice and the Judges of the High Court have expressed to the Government of India their unanimous opinion that, by the death of their colleague, the country has been deprived of a most learned, upright, able and independent Judge.

A. C. LYALL,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

85.

MR. HENRY LEPOER WYNNE, Officiating Secretary to the Government of India in the Foreign Department. 4th May 1874.

No. 977-G.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 8th May 1874.

RESOLUTION.

HIS Excellency the Governor General in Council desires to place on record his sense of the loss which has been caused to the Government of India, and to Her Majesty's Indian Civil Service, by the sudden and premature death, on the 4th of May, of Mr. Henry LePoer Wynne, while he was officiating as Secretary to the Government of India in the Foreign Department.

Mr. Wynne held for five years the office of Under Secretary to the Government of India in the Foreign Department, and in that capacity rendered most valuable service. He had recently filled with great credit the appointment of Officer on Special Duty in Cashmere; and the Government confidently anticipated for him a future career of high personal distinction and public utility.

A. C. LYALL,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

86.

SURGEON GENERAL G. S. BEATSON, M. D., C. B., Her Majesty's British Forces. 7th June 1874.

No. 586.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 9th June 1874.

NOTIFICATION.

HIS Excellency the Governor General in Council has received with much regret intelligence of the death, at Simla, on the 7th instant, of Surgeon General G. S. Beatson, M. D., C. B.

Dr. Beatson had twice, in the course of a long and honourable career, filled the highest post in the British Medical Service in India with credit to himself and advantage to the State, and the Government of India sincerely lament the loss of this valuable public servant.

H. K. BURNE, *Colonel,*
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

87.

THE RIGHT REVEREND ROBERT MILMAN, D. D., Lord Bishop of Calcutta. 15th March 1876.

THE GAZETTE OF INDIA EXTRAORDINARY.

No. 130.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

(ECCLESIASTICAL).

Fort William, the 16th March 1876.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Governor General in Council has received with the deepest regret the intelligence of the death at Rawal Pindi in the Punjab, on the morning of the 15th instant, of the Right Reverend Robert Milman, D. D., Lord Bishop of Calcutta.

The Governor General in Council desires to place on record the sense which he entertains of the late Bishop Milman's indefatigable energy in the discharge of the high functions of his office; of his charity and munificence; of his zeal in promoting all good works, especially the education of the poorer classes of Europeans in India, and of his broad and benevolent sympathy with all classes of the community. The Bishop has devoted his health and strength to the conscientious fulfilment of his arduous duties in ministering to the spiritual and temporal welfare of his diocese; and he has now died in the midst of his labours, doubtless in consequence of them.

The Governor General in Council is sure that Bishop Milman's untimely death will be felt as a personal loss, and that his memory will be affectionately cherished by Her Majesty's subjects in India.

The flag of Fort William will be hoisted half-mast high to-day, which is the day of the funeral.

By command of the Governor General in Council,

ARTHUR HOWELL,

Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

88.

COLONEL DANIEL GEORGE ROBINSON, R. E., Director General of Telegraphs in India. 27th July 1877.

No. 174.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

(ESTABLISHMENTS—TELEGRAPH).

Simla, the 3rd August 1877.

RESOLUTION.

THE Governor General in Council has received with deep regret intelligence of the death at sea, near Aden, on the 27th ultimo, of Colonel Daniel George Robinson, R. E., Director General of Telegraphs in India.

By the untimely death of this officer, the State has lost an able and zealous public servant. Colonel Robinson earned early distinction in the Punjab campaigns; and after a lengthened period of valuable service in the Survey Department, he directed, with marked success, during the last twelve years, the constantly expanding operations of the Telegraph Department, a Department which he was mainly instrumental in re-organizing and raising to its present state of high efficiency.

W. A. CROMMELIN, *Major-General,*
Secy. to the Govt. of India.